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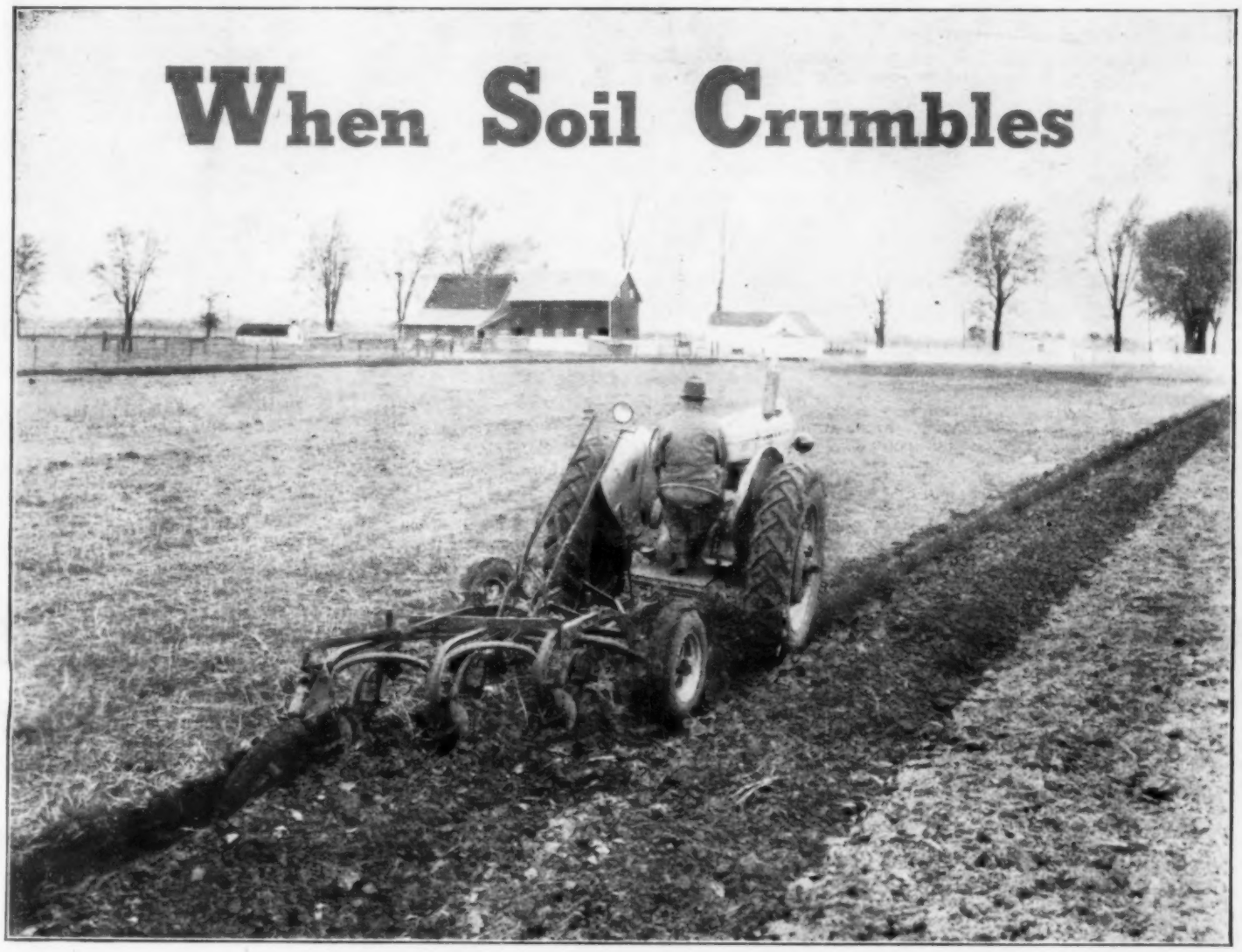

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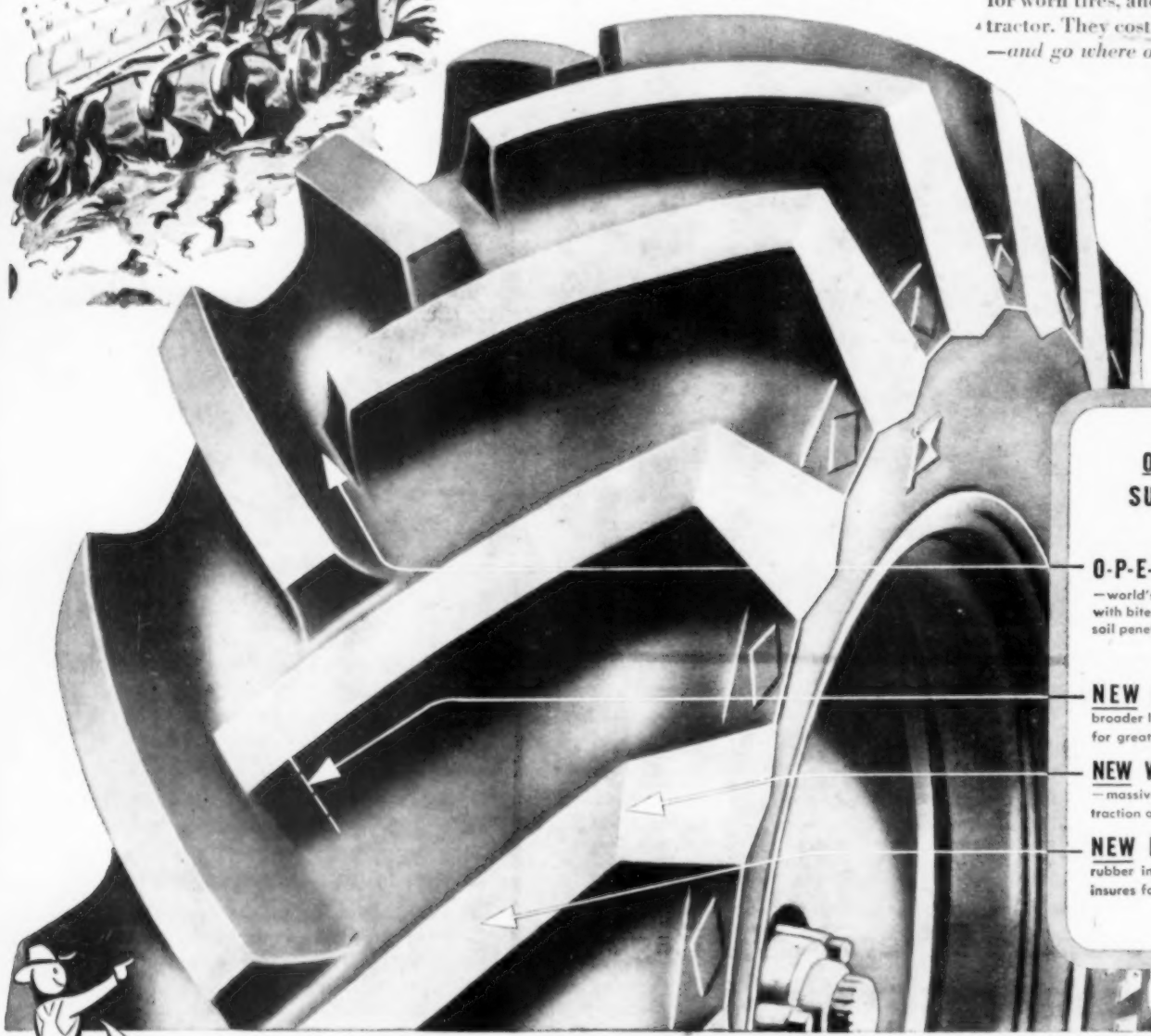

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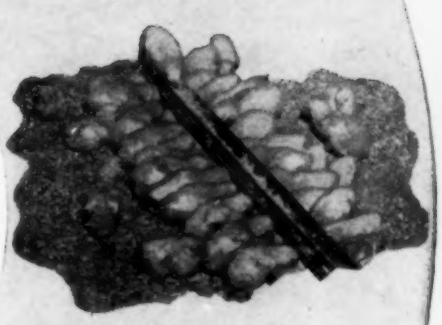

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The first 75 days are vital. State college tests show that little pigs are stronger, healthier and grow faster when fed a balanced ration early . . . and more pigs are saved.

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REMEMBER THIS

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INSIDE STUFF

FRED HAWLEY died several years ago. I don't know what kind of a monument his folks put over his grave in Pocahontas county. I know the kind he'd like.

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THE MONUMENT Fred would like would be tenancy legislation for Iowa. He just got one little advance installment on that monument. That was the notification law—the one that says you have to give notice by November 1 if the lease is to end on March 1.

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NOW THAT is in danger. There's a bill before the legislature (H. F. 290) to cut the heart out of that law.

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THERE'S MORE about this law on page 6 and in the Wallace-Homestead Poll report on page 26. I hope you read both.

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WHENEVER that notification law comes up, I think about Fred. He and other farmers on his committee went all over the state, talked to thousands of farmers and land-owners, and got together a useful group of recommendations for tenancy legislation.

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THE HAWLEY committee felt that it was hard for a farmer to do much for the land, his family or himself if he had to move every year or so. A fellow has to stay put for a while to be a good farmer.

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HOW CAN YOU help him to stay put? That was the question. The committee made a number of suggestions. None of them got to first base except the notification bill. The Farm Bureau and other farm groups put it over.

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I THINK the notification law ought to be preserved. And improved. What's more, I'd like to see Governor Beardsley appoint another committee, with somebody like Hawley at the head of it, to report to the next legislature on tenancy legislation.

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THERE'S LOTS of speculation about the new dean of agriculture at Iowa State College. Dean Kildee, to everyone's regret, is quitting because he has about reached the retiring age of 65.

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PRESIDENT Friley and the board of education—poor fellows—have the big job of trying to find somebody who can head teaching, extension and experimental work.

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MAYBE our Iowa board of education plans to use Nebraska's methods. The Nebraska University has recently selected a top-notch president and a top-notch dean of the school of agriculture.

HOW DID NEBRASKA do it? By asking the local chapter of the American Association of University Professors to hunt around and make recommendations. The professors recommended the men that the board later approved.

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THE SAME PLAN might work well at Iowa State. Certainly, it would take some of the load off the president and the board. And the new man, whoever he is, would be welcomed more warmly if he were the choice of a faculty committee as well as of the president and of the board.

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IN WISCONSIN last week, I learned that the folks who write school laws for that state seem to hate to have tax-payers vote on their plans. The present law carefully avoids a popular vote on approval of school reorganization.

His Law **is in danger. The late Fred Hawley, Pocahontas county, headed 1938 tenancy committee and recommended tenancy bills to the legislature. His notification law is now under fire.**

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AN AMENDEMENT before the Wisconsin legislature says: If the county school committee brings out a reorganization plan, then a referendum can be called for. If Plan I is voted down, the committee can bring out Plan II. If Plan II is voted down, the committee can bring out Plan III.

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HERE'S THE JOKER: Plan III can't be voted on. It just goes into effect. Sounds queer to me.

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OUR RED BIRDS shifted to their spring song two weeks ago. A neighbor says he's seen two robins. One optimist claims all of the weather signs point to an early spring.

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HOW MANY ACRES of clover and alfalfa are you seeding this spring?

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Thick Oats May Smother $4 To $8 Seedings

May Get Legume Stand, Also Big Oat Crop, By Watching Three Points

By HOMER HUSH

WHEN it costs $4 to $8 per acre to seed clover and alfalfa, you don't want the oats to smother the legumes.

And when you pay that much for legume seed, you need a good oat crop to offset the cost.

Can you get a good oat crop and still give high-priced legume seed a chance to live? There are reasons to think you can if certain points are watched.

Here are three of the most important points:

(1) Rate of seeding.
(2) Method of seeding.
(3) Proper use of fertilizer.

How Much Oats Per Acre?

Clover or alfalfa must have some light if they are to live in the oats. You may have seen clover die in rich spots where the oats grew thick and rank. Even with plenty of moisture, legumes will die without light.

What some farmers may not realize is that the new Clinton oats shut out more light than the older varieties. Big leaf growth goes along with big producing power.

So, don't sow Clinton oats too thick. Ed Dyas, Iowa State College agronomist, recommends one and one-half to two bushels per acre. This is for broadcasting.

Now the bushel-and-a-half rate might come close to cutting the yield of oats. The two-bushel rate might come close to shutting out sufficient light for the legumes.

It seems to be a question of which you want most to protect. If you would rather risk cutting the oat yields than killing the clover, sow one and one-half bushels. If a full oat crop seems most important, sow two bushels broadcast.

Should Oats Be Broadcast?

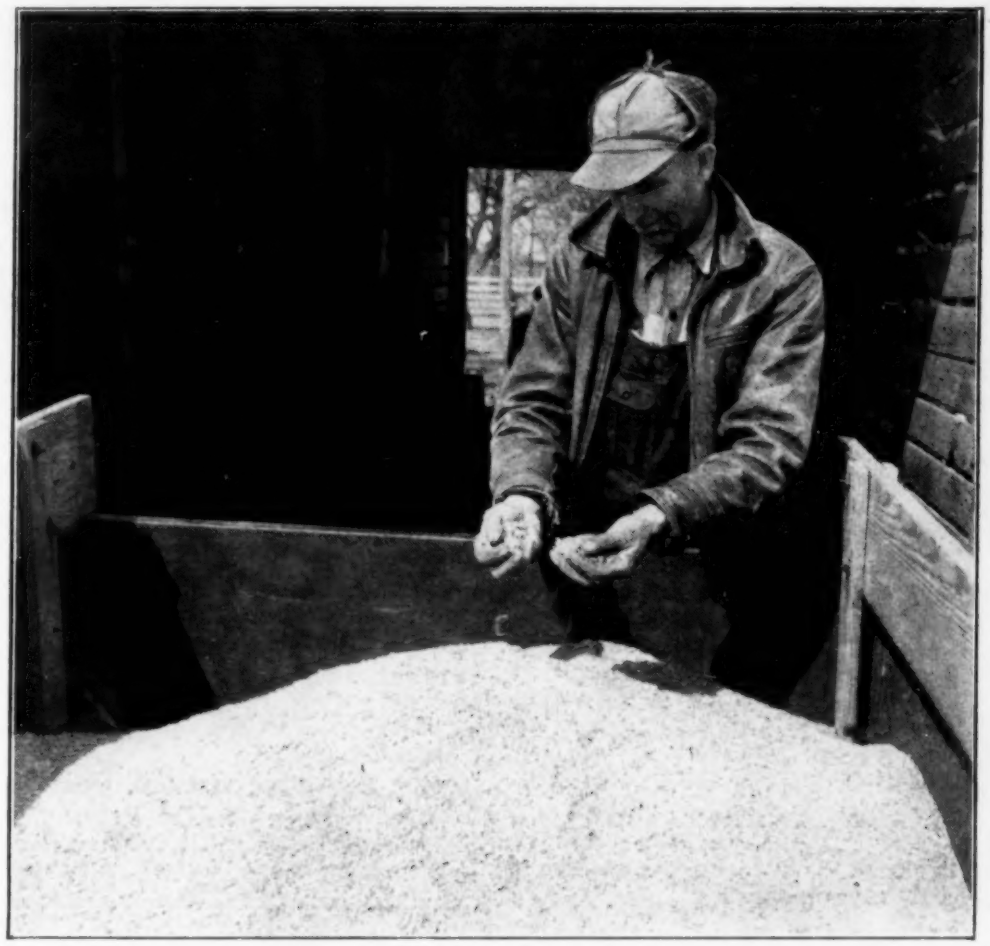
This brings up another question: Early sowed oats usually make the best yields. In four-year Iowa tests, the yield went down one bushel for each day's delay in seeding. (Clinton oats may suffer less from delay.)

You can usually broadcast oats several days before the ground is dry enough to drill without clogging. So farmers have pretty largely used the broadcast seeder instead of the drill.

But in a one-year test at the Iowa station, in 1948, drilled oats made four bushels more per acre than broadcast oats. And the legume seeding seemed to benefit even more from drilling.

Using 100 for the index figure for the alfalfa stand secured in broadcast oats, the oats drilled in seven-inch rows made an alfalfa stand of 110. With the rows spaced 14 inches, the alfalfa stand was 135.

Oats in 14-inch rows are unusual. It is worth noting that the wide rows produced more oats and a better alfalfa stand also.



New questions come with new oats: How thick? Drilled or broadcast? Fertilizer?

Wide Drill Rows Are Tried

Even 21-inch oat rows were tried at the Iowa station. The oat yield was the same as with broadcast oats, but weeds became a problem with the wide rows.

In the above tests, seeding rates were three bushels for both broadcasting and drilling in seven-inch rows. Two bushels per acre were sowed in the 14-inch rows and one bushel in the 21-inch rows.

The Iowa State College men don't say to throw away your endgate seeder yet. A one-year test is not final. But Dyas recommends drilling for those who have an ordinary drill. If you want to try the 14-inch rows, you can plug up every other hole.

When both oat yields and legume stands are considered, the drill will almost surely be best for the legumes. The advantage for the drill on oat yields is not proved.

How Can Fertilizer Help?

Nearly every farmer believes that phosphate fertilizer helps legume seedings. This is true almost all over the corn belt states. It will help the yield of oats, too, in most areas.

So, if you want to make more certain that you don't lose the money spent for clover or alfalfa seed, put on about 200 pounds of 0-20-0. For alfalfa, it may pay to apply 300 pounds.

How about nitrogen and potash? Most agronomists say that potash is great stuff for corn on some soils. It has shown little effect on oats and legumes. But it's different when you talk about nitrogen.

Nitrogen increases oat yields. This is particularly true on poor soil or where two or more corn crops have been grown since the land was seeded. Grain crops use up nitrogen.

How Much Nitrogen?

In Iowa tests in 1948, 20 pounds of nitrogen per acre gave an increase of seven and one-half bushels of oats per acre. In 95 per cent of the trials, oats responded to nitrogen profitably.

Dyas recommends 10 to 20 pounds of nitrogen per acre for oats and 40 pounds of available phosphorus. That might be 250 pounds of 4-16-0 per acre, or, for the heavier nitrogen application, 200 pounds of 10-20-0.

But, when fertilizing oats seeded to legumes, remember about the sunlight the clover and alfalfa need. Don't put on so much nitrogen that the legume will be smothered. Rich land should have none.

When records of experiment stations and experiences of farmers are taken together, it seems that oat growers can depend on these recommendations:

To get an oat crop and a legume catch, sow oats rather thinly, drill the oats if you can, use phosphorus for the legume and nitrogen to increase oat yields on poor land. And sow the oats as early as the ground is in shape.

Editorials

Here's How To Sell More Meat

WHENEVER livestock prices drop, farmers begin to wonder how to sell more meat—at good prices — to consumers. Cornell University, in a study sponsored by the Meat Institute, gives part of the answer: See that poor families get more money to spend.

Cornell made surveys of meat purchases in March of 1942, and in March of 1948.

Families whose incomes were below average in 1942 purchased 21 per cent more meat in 1948 than in 1942.

Families whose incomes were above average in 1942 bought only 2 per cent more meat in 1948.

Biggest increase in meat buying came from families who had low incomes in 1942, but had increased these incomes considerably by 1948. These folks increased meat purchases by 63 per cent.

Apparently, livestock men profit directly when city workers with low incomes get a boost in pay. Everybody likes meat. But it takes money to buy it.

This is why it is so important for farmers that city people—particularly those with low incomes—keep working and get paid in proportion to the work they turn out. And that the food stamp plan be revived to help the unemployed keep eating.

A meat surplus fades away like snow in a spring thaw when folks are able to buy the meat they want.

TENANTS HAVE RIGHTS

So do landlords. And Iowa's notification law, which says that tenant or landlord must give four months' notice of termination of a lease, protects both.

Farmers like the law. They believe it is only fair to see that a landlord gets four months to look for a new tenant; or a tenant four months to look for another farm.

But H. F. 290, now before Iowa's house of representatives, would cut the heart out of the law, and should be killed.

The Iowa legislature should do more than kill this attempt to wreck the notification law. It should amend the law to patch up the holes made in it by supreme court decisions.

One supreme court decision says that tenant and landlord, in drawing up a lease, may agree to waive the requirement of notification. This is a little like a borrower and lender drawing up a note and agreeing to ignore the state law on interest rates.

H. F. 290 should be killed. And the notification law should be amended to put back in the teeth that the supreme court pulled out.

How To Use More Grass, More Hay

MOST farmers agree that their land would be better off, and corn production still high, if they shifted to a longer rotation. On a good many farms, a corn-oats-clover rotation, or a corn-oats-meadow-meadow rotation would keep up fertility and yields where a corn-corn-oats-clover rotation pulls both down.

But that means a lot more hay and grass on each farm. What could be done with them?

One farmer says no corn belt farm ever has a surplus of grass. Everybody runs short. Maybe there's no problem here.

But there would be more hay. Should the corn belt raise and feed more beef cattle and sheep? Or shift to milking more cows?

That's one of the soil conservation problems, too. When a farmer changes his rotation, he also changes the balance of his livestock.

Don't Plant Corn To Raise Allotment

DON'T plow up all of your pasture this year just to get a big corn base for 1950. Some farmers, remembering old AAA allotments, are wondering if they should put in a lot of corn in 1949 in order that the five-year average for their farms may be high.

Congress is still arguing, but there seems a good chance that 1949 acreage in corn won't be counted in making 1950 allotments.

The historical base for allotments worked many injustices. A farmer who has been graining his land to death can cut 20 per cent and still have more corn than his land ought to carry. A farmer with a good rotation may find an acreage cut reducing his corn land below the point good management would prescribe.

If we have allotments again, we need to use a different base. Raymond Strain, AAA chairman in Union county, Iowa, suggested recently that a sound soil conservation plan for each farm might be used as a base.

But don't grow corn in 1949 just to build up your allotment base. And don't grow any more bushels than you can feed or seal. The price of free corn next fall could easily be half a dollar a bushel below the loan price.

When Does The Next Dry Spell Come?

WHEAT farmers think we should build up a big reserve of wheat. They may be right.

Weather — not acreage — has always been the thing that counts in wheat production. In the dry period of 1933-36, an average of 69 million acres was planted to wheat and produced an average crop of 584 million bushels.

In the wet period of 1945-48, an average of 74 million acres was planted, and produced an average crop of 1,229 million.

How much should we store? The problem would be easier if we knew when the next dry period was coming.

Don't Penalize Farmers

Full Production Helps Nation; May Hurt Men Who Turn It Out

Can you get business, labor and farmers to agree on the kind of farm policy that makes sense for the whole nation? Below, we print extracts from a policy statement debated, amended and finally approved by the members of the agriculture, business, labor and international committees of the National Planning Association.

WITH sound planning in the field of agriculture, we can meet more successfully situations such as the following:

1. Farm product prices rise faster than non-farm prices in a period of inflation; fall faster in a period of deflation. Because of these variations in prices, agriculture is the most vulnerable part of the economy. These terrific changes in farm prices and income make the ups and downs of business cycles more extreme.

2. In spite of local drouths and floods, farm production over the whole United States stays relatively steady in good times and bad, while industrial production changes sharply. From 1930 to 1940, agricultural production shifted from a low of 91 per cent of the 1935-39 average to a high of 106 per cent. In the same period, iron and steel production ranged from 32 per cent to 147 per cent.

3. Because agricultural production remains relatively steady in good times and bad, it provides insurance to the nation against the extreme hardship of depression. This kind of social insurance, however, may have two drawbacks: Farmers may go broke in providing it, and the people who need food worst may not get it.

4. Soil conservation suffers in the ups and downs of farm income. In boom times, some farmers plow up pasture to get a cash crop before the sheriff takes over.

THE National Planning Association suggests that the most desirable farm program for balanced abundance could be secured by trying out forward pricing on a flexible basis to guide farm production and to provide minimum price supports; by soil conservation and management programs; by moderate appropriations for such projects as school lunches and food stamps, and by provision for large storage supplies of wheat, corn and cotton. . . .

BUT if employment and pay rolls fall sharply . . . the nation should be ready:

1. To expand subsidized consumption so that all the unemployed and poorly paid will get enough food to keep them healthy.

2. To provide some kind of price or income insurance for agriculture so that collapsing farm income will not intensify the business depression.

You Need U. S. Savings Bonds Now

THIS is a good year to pay debts. If your debts are under control, it is also a good year to buy U. S. Savings Bonds.

See what happens when you buy an "E" bond. You get these results:

1. A ready cash reserve. You can cash the bond whenever you need money in a hurry. Of course, you'd like to hold the bond the full 10 years. But if you need cash, you can get it.

2. Good interest on the bond. It pays 2.9 per cent interest if held for the full 10 years. You get less if held for shorter periods. But $75 invested now will bring you $100 in 10 years.

3. Bonds will gain in buying power. The price level is declining now. A dollar now buys more than it did six months ago. If you put $75 in a bond today, and get back $100 in 10 years, the $100 in 1959 may buy as much as $125 or $150 would buy today.

In a business way, there is more profit now in buying U. S. Savings Bonds than there was during the war. Any farmer would make money by going back to his war-time schedule of bond buying.

Too Many On Farms Have Undulant Fever

HOW many farm people get undulant fever? Its other names are brucellosis or Bang's disease.

Up in Wisconsin, Dr. J. T. Schwab, of the state department of agriculture, said that 12 per cent of patients admitted to hospitals showed, by test, that they had been exposed to brucellosis.

Be careful in handling aborting sows or cows. Unless you're dead sure that cows that furnish milk for your family are free of Bang's, pasteurize the milk.

Better methods for treating undulant fever are being developed. But it is still hard to cure. And unpleasant to have.

Protect yourself and your family.

Not Until You Say So

DON'T worry about a new school program being put over in your county without your having a chance to vote on it.

The Iowa law says flatly that when the county board proposes a rearrangement of school districts, each district affected must vote on the new plan. Unless a district votes approval, the plan does not go into effect for that district.

Under the older consolidation law, the farm districts have to vote separately from the town districts on consolidation. Unless the farm districts approve, they don't need to go into the consolidated area.

This protects local interests right up to the hilt. Some school people say it over-protects these local interests.

They suggest that a county-wide plan should be approved by a county-wide vote. Otherwise, one or two backward districts may hold up progress.

There are risks both ways, of course. Under the present law, some sensible consolidations may be held up. Under a law for a county-wide vote, one or two big towns might grab off all the schools.

Wallaces' Farmer and Iowa Homestead believes we'd better stick with the law as it is. But, if this is done, farm people in every district have an obligation to come out to meetings and learn what the new plans are.

A fellow who stays home, refuses to listen to arguments, and blindly votes "No," is harming the cause of local self-government.

Odds *and* Ends

NOW we start guessing about the weather again. What a help it would be if a fellow knew now what temperature and rainfall would be in August!

WHEN we asked farm men and women what they were worrying about, a good percentage said: "Money." To some that meant debts; to others it meant new investments. And some women claimed it meant getting money for a water system out of the old man.

MORE feed-lots will be paved this year. Farmers wanted to do more of this last year, but couldn't get the materials.

MORE grasshoppers, less corn, fewer tons of hay, higher prices for feed would go along with a dry season. And farmers with more hogs than corn would have trouble next winter.

BUT if we have a wet season, and a corn crop like last year, then look for cheap corn, big feeding margins, and lots of storage trouble.

PAY rolls and employment are expected to pick up next month. And shipments of hogs—from last fall's big pig crop—are likely to increase, too.

WILL pay rolls increase enough in April to take care of increased hog shipments? Or will we have a mild drop in hog prices in late spring?

LARD exports are off. One reason is that in the war years we sent an average of 108 million pounds a year to Russia. Now we send nothing there.

LOSSES of cattle and sheep in blizzards looked big, but actually cattle losses were far less than 1 per cent of the total number of beef animals in the country. Blizzards brought ruin to some ranchers, but made little difference to the nation as a whole.

THIS season will see lots more use of DDT and 2,4-D. Emergent sprays of 2,4-D on corn ground—to catch weeds as they start up—will be tried on many farms.

FLIES will have another hard season as farmers spray barns with DDT. Kill the flies, but be sure that no spray gets in the milk.

FIX things up at home so that "farm boys and girls will not go to the city merely because the farm home does not have electric lights and running water." That's what the American Farm Bureau Federation says.

Song of the Lazy Farmer

SPRING cleaning time is here again, and tho that ain't no job for men, Mirandy claims I should help, too, because I've nothing else to do. In order to escape the doom of slaving with a mop or broom, I have to leave my stove and chair and heat into the springtime air with some excuse about the chores that must be done now out-of-doors. She's so surprised to see me move, she doesn't try to make me prove that there are really things out there that can't wait longer for some care; she even worries some 'bout me for fear I'll work too hard, by gee.

But, natur'ly, I use my head and whittle sticks behind the shed; there's no sense rushin' things, I say, spring chores will wait another day. And I don't have a sense of guilt, I don't think any house was built to be spring-cleaned by a mere male, at housework he will always fail. No matter how hard I might try, I know I'd make Mirandy cry by hurryin' the job too much and missin' dust, cobwebs and such. Besides, she'd have to follow me and re-do two jobs out of three, so she's ahead if I just stay out here where I'm not in her way.

Husker in Argentina uses peg, drops ears into long bag that is hooked to belt, drags along ground. Each 80-100 pounds is dumped into collection bags.

Down In Argentina...

They're Husking Today

Iowan Tells How It Feels When July Weather Suddenly Turns To January

Arthur T. Thompson, formerly associate editor of Wallaces' Farmer and Iowa Homestead, spent the last three years in Argentina as U. S. agricultural attache. In this article, he tells how you'd raise corn if you lived down there. Thompson now is back on his farm in Greene county, Iowa.

THE sun rose in the right place, in the southeast. But, instead of climbing a long, high arc to the north, it cut low to the southwest and disappeared too early.

The roadside was no longer flanked with tasseling corn. And farmers were not plowing grain stubble for next season. Instead, plows and disks were shedded or buried under snowdrifts.

What had happened? Only this: I had left Buenos Aires in midsummer—January 5. In a few hours I had flown straight into the middle of a U. S. winter.

In Argentina, you see, the seasons are just the reverse of ours. That's why the Argentines usually start husking corn in late March.

Most Argentine corn still is picked by hand. The husker works between two rows, taking the ears off each as he goes. He works bareheaded and uses a simple husking peg.

The ears go into a long cotton bag brought up between the husker's legs and hooked into his belt. The bag has a leather facing on one side, to resist wear as it slides along the ground.

There is a growing interest in mechanical pickers, but not many are in use so far. Not much machinery is made in Argentina, and there is a shortage of dollar exchange with which to buy American outfits.

Anyway, the standard two-row American picker won't handle rows planted 28 inches apart—the usual spacing in Argentina. And the Argentine flint corn has small ears, tight husks and short shanks. It breaks off easily and cleans poorly.

Argentine corn breeders are hoping to combine the high yields, big ears and disease and lodging resistance of North American hybrids with the appearance and hard starch of their own flint varieties.

This is a big order. But they feel that Argentina can't get away from the insect-resistant flint type as long as most of the crop is exported.

The flint-dent crosses do result in larger ears, and this may help solve the mechanical harvesting problem. Also, some of the hybrid breeders are trying out our row spacing to see if yields really do suffer much.

It gives a midwesterner an odd feeling to see for the second time the start of a hybrid corn industry and of machine husking. The revolution in Argentine corn-growing methods won't be so rapid as ours was. But a change is in the cards just the same.

My sudden shift from summer to winter also convinced me that raising and fattening cattle is a much tougher job in the northern U. S. than it is in Argentina.

Up here we have to feed cattle in drylot about five months of the year—pitching hay, scooping grain, hauling manure. There, unless you're handling purebred stuff, you don't need feeding sheds and other expensive equipment.

Hog-raising, too, is fairly simple for the Argentines. A square of sheet metal for the sow and a small amount of watering and feeding equipment are all that they need.

Argentina has frosts from time to time during the winter, but the ground doesn't freeze. So it is possible to keep steers on cereal grain pasture. With no gap in the pasture schedule, Argentine ranchers grow their market cattle entirely on grass, legumes and cereal grains.

Sorghums, corn and sudan grass are used to get over an occasional summer dry spell. Sometimes a dry winter may require the feeding of hay or silage and oil-seed cake or milling by-products.

But don't get the idea that Argentine farmers have no weather trouble at all. Spring frosts are a constant danger in about half the grain territory—at least until stands are well headed.

In the far south, during July and August, heavy snows may cause livestock losses. Windstorms from the south—called "pamperos"—sometimes roll across the flat country, laying corn flat and shaking out sunflower seed by the ton.

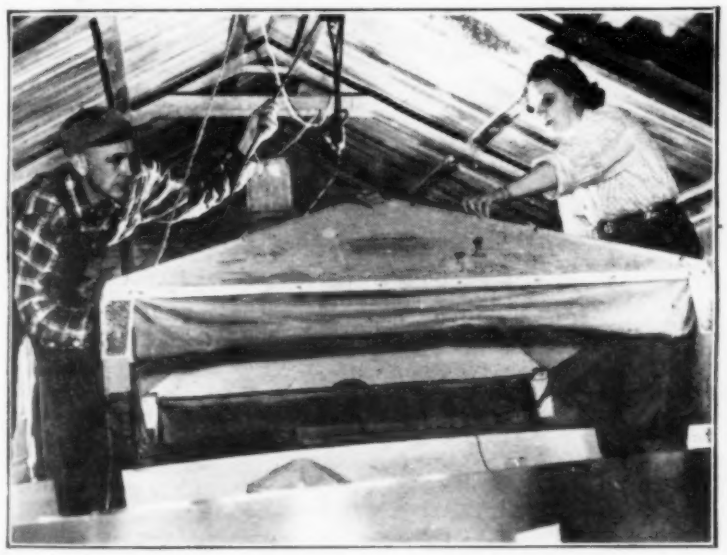
After three years, I now have it pretty well fixed in my head what Argentine farmers will be doing each month. But it took a long time for me to get over the notion that I should write "October" on a letter just because it was a nice autumn day—in April.

Argentine farmer plants corn with two-row, hard-ground lister. But most of crop is drilled in with three-row outfits fitted with shoes or disk openers.

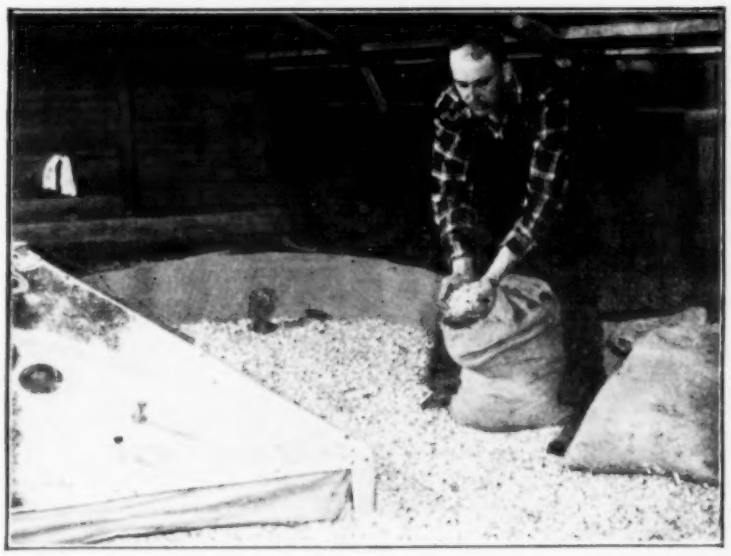
Don't Short-Change Chicks

1 Clean brooder house thoroly several days before chicks arrive. Scrape, sweep and scrub, using scalding lye-water, elbow-grease, as Sam and Jack Mitchell, Adair county, Iowa, are doing here.

2 Disinfect both house and equipment. Andrew Love, Adair county, uses disinfectant in sprayer to reach cracks. Start cleaning job early so house will be dry by the time your chicks come.

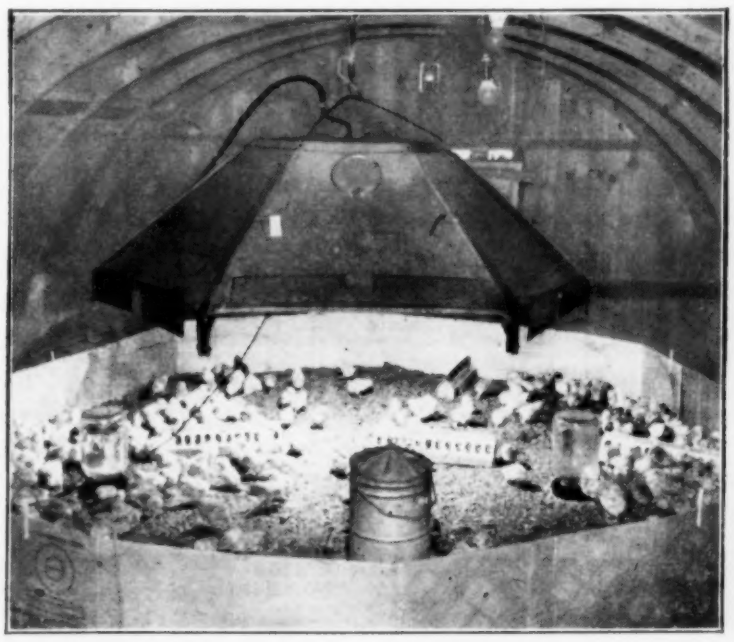


3 Stove should be set up and started a couple of days before you get chicks. This will help dry house, make certain that stove is working properly. Start with temperature at 90 to 95 degrees.



4 Litter should be non-dusty, absorbent. Start with two or three inches, build up later to five or six. Use chick guard—circle of cardboard, wire or metal—around brooder for the first week.

5 Feed, Water should be ready and waiting for chicks. Note that Mrs. Edward Wood and 5-year-old Ann, Warren county, Iowa, haven't spread paper on litter—it's uncomfortable, dirty. Give 100 chicks 100 inches feeder space, 2 gallons of fountain capacity.



6 Here's How brooder house should look when the chicks arrive. Don't overcrowd: Allow half square foot of floor space per chick. Cut brooder heat about 5 degrees a week until you get to 70. Double feed, water capacity when chicks are about 3 weeks old.

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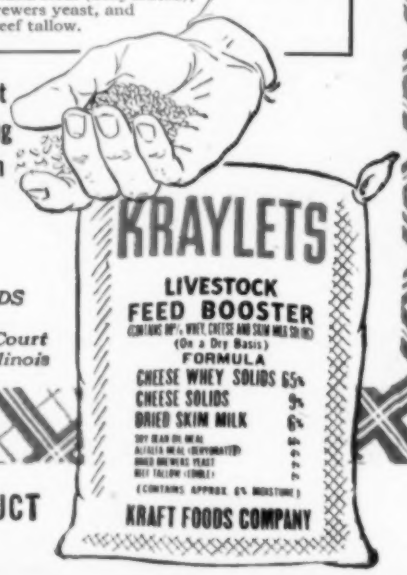

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IF COWS RUN across wet fields just as the frost goes out, there will be a clod for every cow-track.

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THE REAL TEST of a brood sow is the number and weight of pigs at 56 days of age. Pig markers and a little time spent at far-

rowing and weaning time will tell you which sows are good and which are bad. You might be surprised at the results.

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TONS OF SOIL can be saved each year on hill-land farms by keeping lots of land in grass and contouring all drilled or row crops.

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TWELVE DAYS remain to file your Iowa state income tax report and pay the first installment on your personal and property taxes.

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EARLY-PLANTED shrubs and trees have the best chance to live and grow. Prompt planting or heeling-in after receiving the stock from the nursery is also important.

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BEEF CATTLE will be higher than hogs for the next three or four years, says Rex Beresford, of Iowa State College. He expects a cattle price level lower than the last two years.

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CORN CRIBS can be paid for with the difference between present corn prices and the loan price of corn. The 30 to 40-cent margin will build or buy several types of cribs. You get the crib free.

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SWEET CLOVER sowed with the oats will make a good green manure crop if plowed under in late summer. But if you are going to plow the oat stubble just as soon as you thresh, better save the cost of the seed.

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HAWKEYE SOYBEANS may be adapted farther south than at first thought, according to Illinois experiments. In a three-year test, the new beans yielded better than any other variety at the Champaign-Urbana experimental farm.

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MARION OATS sowed on a small field will give you a comparison with the Clinton. It might be particularly important this year if crown rust should develop. Marion oats are thought to be more resistant to crown rust than are Clinton oats.

TREATED OATS are not safe for livestock feed. So treat only as much seed as you expect to sow.

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WATCH SILO WALLS for needed repairs when the silo is being emptied. Then either fix it while you can get at it easily or put a note in your day-book.

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OATS DISKED IN on last year's oat stubble may get weedy. Weeds that thrive in oats get a start the first year, and sometimes almost take over the second year.

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PLOWING CORN STALK land that is to be put in oats will reduce the number of corn borer moths hatched on your farm. But corn borer moths may fly in from your neighbors' unplowed oat fields.

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LATE REPORTS indicate many bins of oats are worthless for seed because the oats will not grow. Bin heating, so slight that you will hardly notice it, will destroy germination. Better test before you sow.

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RESELECT CLINTON oats are said to be a little better than the regular Clinton variety. But the difference is not great enough to spend much time and money in making the change.

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THE MUD SEASON can waste a lot of feed. There are two ways that feed can be lost: (1) Some feed may be tramped into the mud, and (2) animals may eat a lot of mud-covered grain, get out of condition, and make poor gains. Self-feeders and feeding floors should get special attention during the spring thaws.

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BARN WIRING should be inspected each year for broken insulators, bare wires, uncovered

switches and loose connections. For additional safety, brush the cobwebs and trash away from the wiring.

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MOLDY FEED is known to cause certain diseases. But it is only certain molds that cause trouble, and you can't tell one from the other. Watch animals closely that are eating moldy feed. Suspect the feed at the first sign of trouble.

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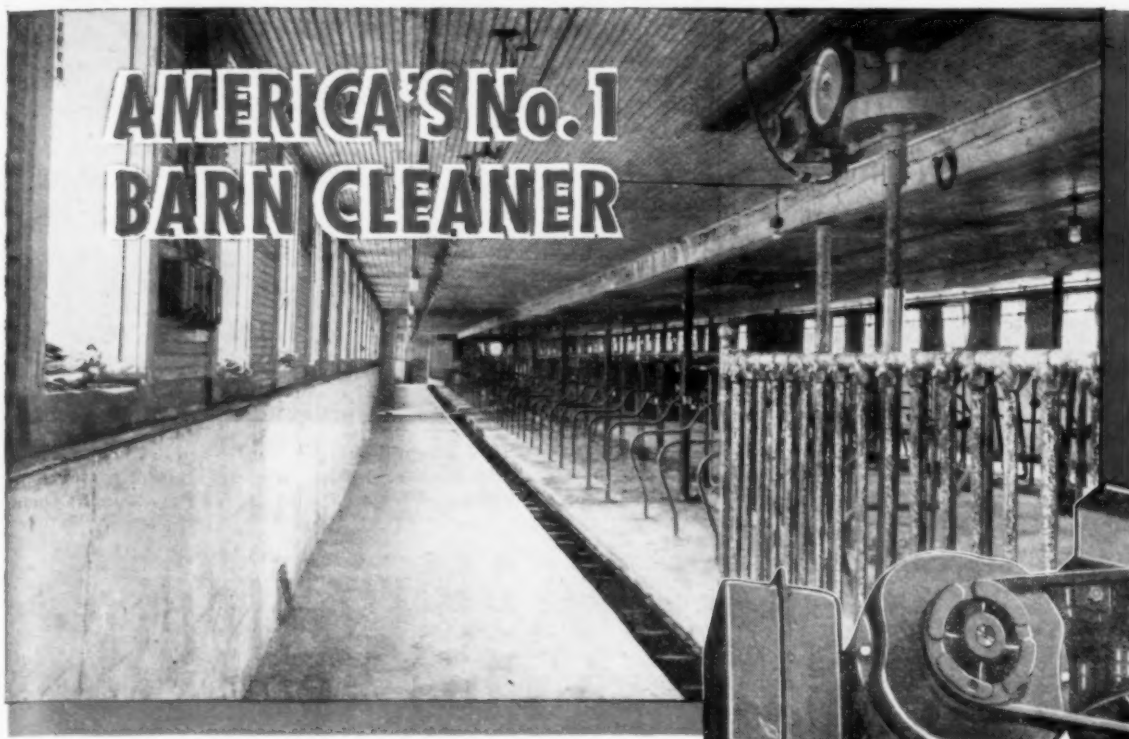
IMPORTANT PAPERS, such as contracts, abstracts, unrecorded deeds, your will, notes and bonds may be lost if you keep them around the house. Some of these papers will cost money to replace, if they can be replaced. Government "E" bonds can be replaced, but it might take some time and cause inconvenience. A fireproof safe or vault is the only place for them.



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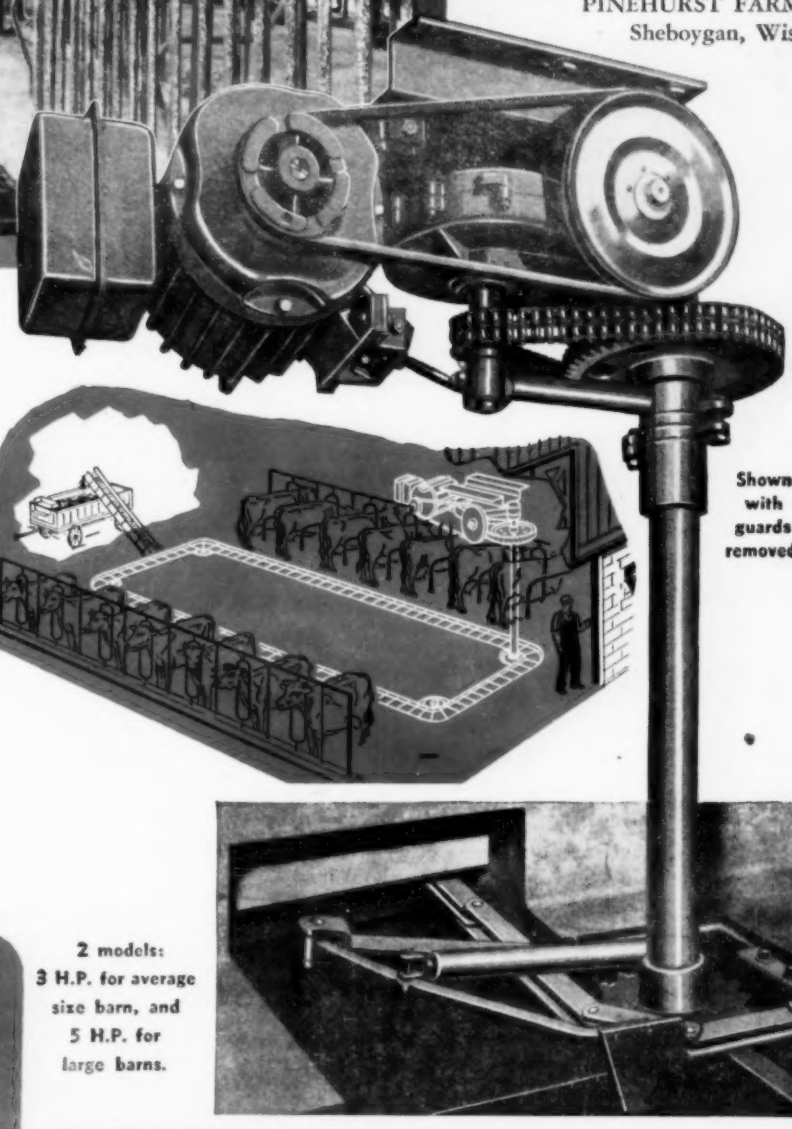

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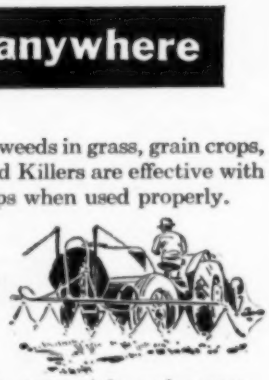

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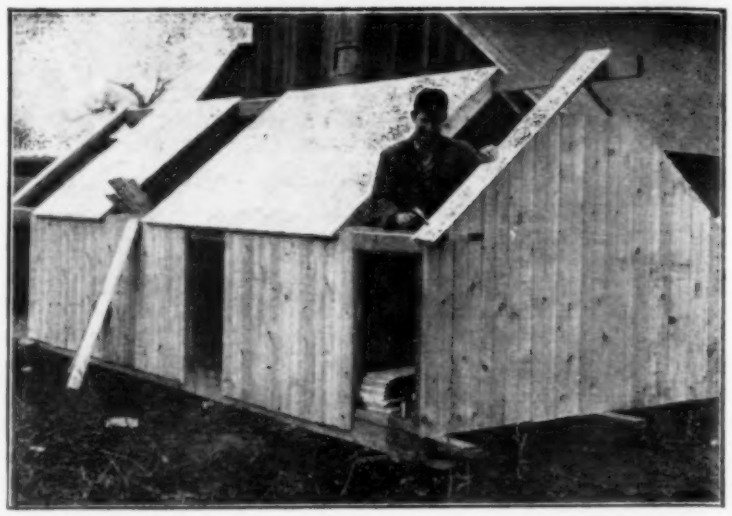

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Raise More Early Pigs This Year

More March And April Litters Than Last Year—Little Change For May

LAST December, Iowa farmers told the Department of Agriculture that they planned to have 20 per cent more sows farrow spring litters in 1949 than in 1948.

Have they changed their minds since then?

Hog prices have dropped. But so has corn. The corn-hog ratio is still favorable. And heavy sows have been docked heavily enough so there wasn't any great temptation to sell them.

The Wallace-Homestead Poll made a survey of Iowa farm operators in late February, to see what hog-raising plans were at that time.

Little change was reported since December. The increase over last year of sows to farrow spring litters was 18 per cent. After allowing for survey error, that's practically the same as the 20 per cent in December.

But, altho the increase over last year for the whole season is predicted as 18 per cent, the increase for May is only 4 per cent.

When this survey was made, farmers expected to get the bulk of their increase in spring pigs in April or earlier. It looks as if everybody was aiming for that early market.

A farmer in Tama county apparently spoke for many when he said: "I'm having my pigs early this year, and a few more. I want to sell them in September or earlier. This is the last year for good prices, as I figure it."

This survey was made before Secretary Brannan announced that hog prices would be supported at 90 per cent of parity thru March, 1950. This price, around $16.50 at Chicago, may make some farmers feel that there is less danger of a price collapse next winter.

As a result, a few more sows may be kept for late litters. And some of the May pigs may not be pushed along quite so fast.

Hog prices this month will make a lot of difference in the number of sows held for late May and June litters. If corn is weak and hogs look good, more farmers may take a chance on late pigs.

Another sharp drop in hog prices could send sows to market and cut the number of late pigs.

Until about six weeks before the pigs are farrowed, a farmer can always change his mind. But, at present, it looks like an 18 to 20 per cent increase in sows farrowed over last year.

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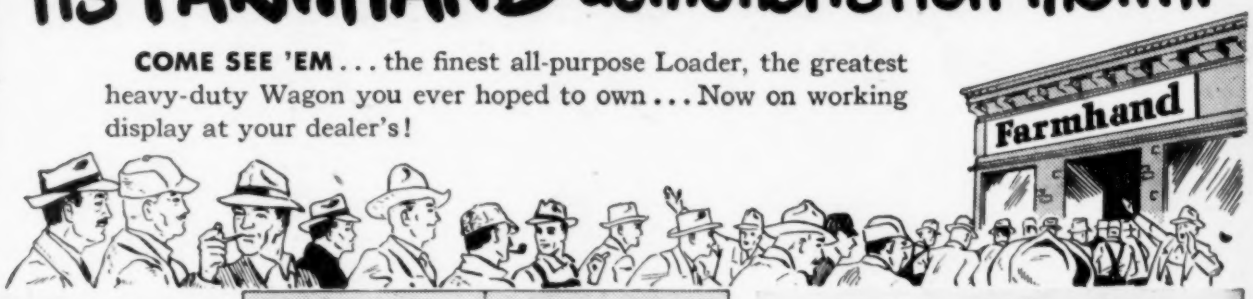

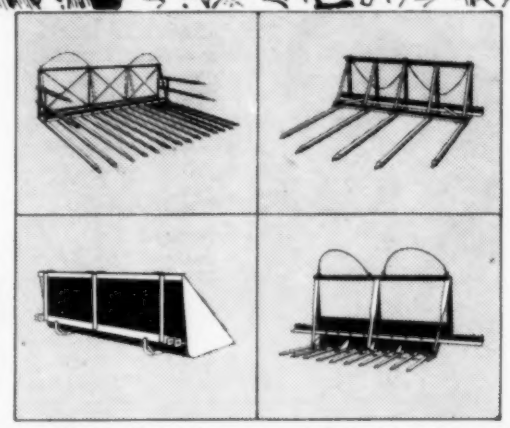

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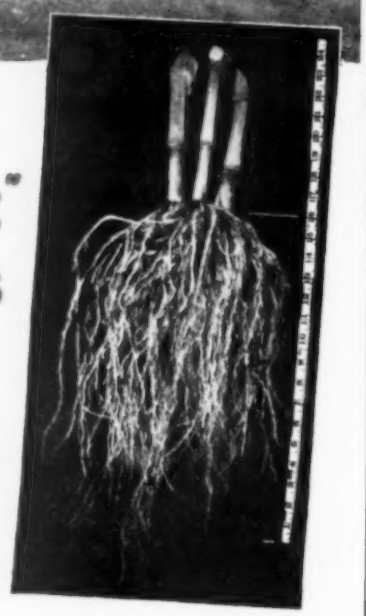

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What It Means To Farmers To Be Brought Under "Social Security"

IF YOU'RE 50 or over, you've probably noticed some talk in the papers about "bringing farmers under the Social Security program."

Maybe you've talked to city workers who looked ahead to getting old-age annuities at 65. And you've wondered if farmers could get in on this.

Here are some questions and answers that may help clear up these and other points:

What are city workers covered by Social Security getting out of the program in the way of old-age annuities?

A man who, when he retires at 65, had been paid an average of $2,500 a year in wages for 20 years, would get an old-age annuity of $43 a month. His wife, if 65, would get an additional $21.50.

What does a city worker pay for this annuity?

Right now, he is paying 1 per cent on his wages. A man getting $2,500 a year would pay $25. His employer would pay another $25.

Is this the same thing as the public assistance "old-age pension"?

No. State and federal governments go together to make payments of the pension type to old people who are not able to pay their own way. That is what we used to call "poor relief." This Social Security old-age annuity is insurance, paid for, in part, by the person benefited.

If you own a farm, would you still get this Social Security annuity?

Yes. What you own doesn't matter. You've helped to pay for this annuity by your contributions. It is like an insurance annuity.

If farmers are brought into the Social Security system, how much would they have to pay?

A farmer, with a net income of $2,500 a year (as reported on his income tax return), would probably pay one and one-half times the rate a city worker pays. A farmer would pay 1½ per cent today, but this may increase to 2 per cent.

Why does a farmer pay more than a city worker?

A farmer is self-employed. A city worker puts in 1 per cent of his pay. His employer puts in 1 per cent. That makes a total of 2 per cent. But the farmer is both employer and employe.

What about the hired man? Does he get anything?

Yes. A hired man, under this program, would be like a city worker. He would contribute 1 per cent of his wages. His employer, the farmer, would contribute 1 per cent of the wages, too.

Won't this cost farmers a good deal, if they pay 1 per cent on a hired man's wages?

Add it up. What did you pay out for wages last year? Then take 1 per cent of that.

Does a farmer who hires labor get any advantages out of this act, or is it all expense?

Farmers who hire help in the east claim they are handicapped now because men don't like to work at jobs not covered by Social Security. They think they'll have a better choice of hired men if Social Security covers farm help.

Is this Social Security program any good to a farmer's family if the farmer doesn't live to be 65? Suppose he dies at 50?

If a farmer was 45 when he came under the program, averaged $2,500 a year for five years, died at 50, and left a widow and two children under 18, this would happen:

Each unmarried child under 18 would get $18.81 a month, and his wife would get $28.22 a month. These benefits would stop as children reached 18. The widow would get her $28.22 again at 65.

How long would a farmer have to pay before he was entitled to benefits?

The new law would spell this out, but probably a farmer would have to pay for a year and a half at least before he would be entitled to benefits.

What records would a farmer have to keep to report his income for Social Security purposes?

None except what he already uses to report his income tax.

How can farmers find out more about the proposals to bring farmers under the Social Security program?

Write to the editor of Wallaces' Farmer and Iowa Homestead, 1912 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, for a copy of a leaflet prepared by the Agriculture Committee of the National Planning Association. This leaflet will be sent free on postcard request, as long as the limited supply lasts.

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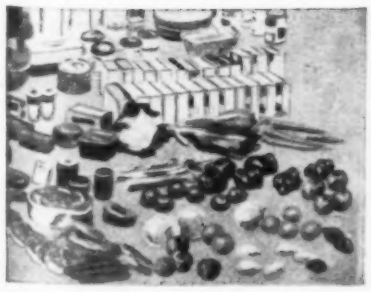

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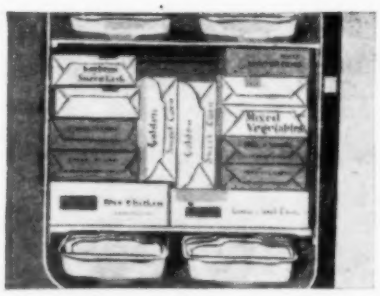

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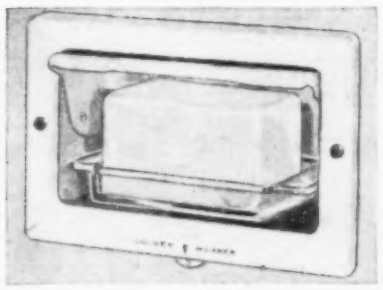

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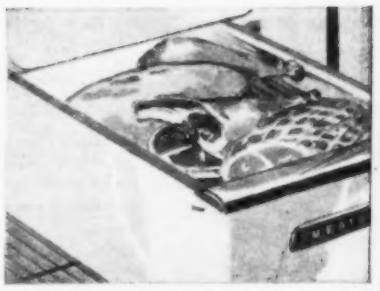

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Good Pasture Means Bigger Profits

Alfalfa-Brome In Long-Term Rotations Provides More Feed, Boosts Corn Yield

By WALLY INMAN

"I WATCHED an experimental pasture improvement project near here. And I talked to at least a dozen men who agreed that the improved pasture made at least three times as much feed as the old blue grass. So I decided to try it," says Jay Steele, of Madison county, Iowa.

He has a 280-acre stock farm. Another reason he wanted to try the alfalfa-brome combination was the constant threat of a shortage of hay.

"If you get the alfalfa-brome started, you can always cut a little hay if the new seeding kills out," he explains.

Pasture improvement looks expensive this spring. Tho the cost can be prorated over four or five years, the bills have to be paid when you buy the lime, fertilizer and seed.

So the system Steele used helped handle the expense. As explained by Ralph Harvey, SCS unit conservationist, there are about four types of pasture to consider.

First is the land that is hilly, but can possibly stand one crop of corn every five or six years; or the blue grass pasture that has several slopes where corn can be grown one year.

That's what Steele had. So he grew a year of corn. He got 155 bushels per acre on 100 acres. That will pay for the pasture improvement. Too, where the blue grass sod is heavy, a year of corn helps from the seeding standpoint.

It is very hard to work spring-plowed blue grass sod well enough for good stands of legume and grass seed. So Steele fall plowed.

"When you fall plow a heavy blue grass sod on the contour, you seldom detect much erosion the first winter," Harvey says. "And you can work it down better, get a kill on the blue grass."

There are other pastures where you shouldn't grow corn, but you can fall plow the blue grass prior to reseeding the pasture.

A third category is that land which you shouldn't plow. Here you may have to disk and disk in order to get your new seed-bed.

And, finally, there are pastures where you can't take a machine. If they are that rough, grazing management is about the best you can do to improve them.

In Guthrie county, Iowa, W. C. Grow likes the system of one year of corn every five or six years. This gives you a chance to get a good seed-bed for reseeding, he feels.

"I think anything not too steep for machinery should be plowed about every six years, put to corn for one year, and reseeded," Grow says.

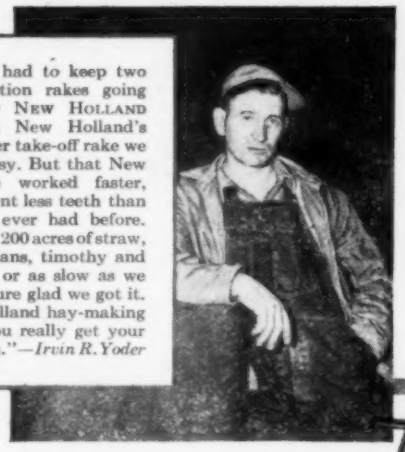
In addition to lime, Grow likes to use 100 pounds of 16-20-0 per acre on the oats and new seeding. Poorer soils may get more than that. He warns to seed the oats lightly.

If he intends to use the new seeding for hay for a year or two, he seeds 10 pounds of alfalfa and 8 of brome; if it will be pastured right away, he reverses that and seeds more brome than alfalfa.

"This old blue grass that has been down 15 or 20 years doesn't have much to it. You get a lot more out of alfalfa-brome. And a year of corn, where you can grow it, helps do a better job of reseeding. Besides, you can always use the corn," Grow says.

He is proud of the contest yield of 165.8 bushels per acre he made on a field of contoured corn on land that was once called Class VII land by the SCS. That's a pretty steep hill.

And that's about three average crops of corn from a corn, oats and clover rotation in hilly soil. So Steele and Grow got their corn with one year's work; they'll get an oat crop, and have three or four years of pasture worth three times as much as the old blue grass. They like the system.



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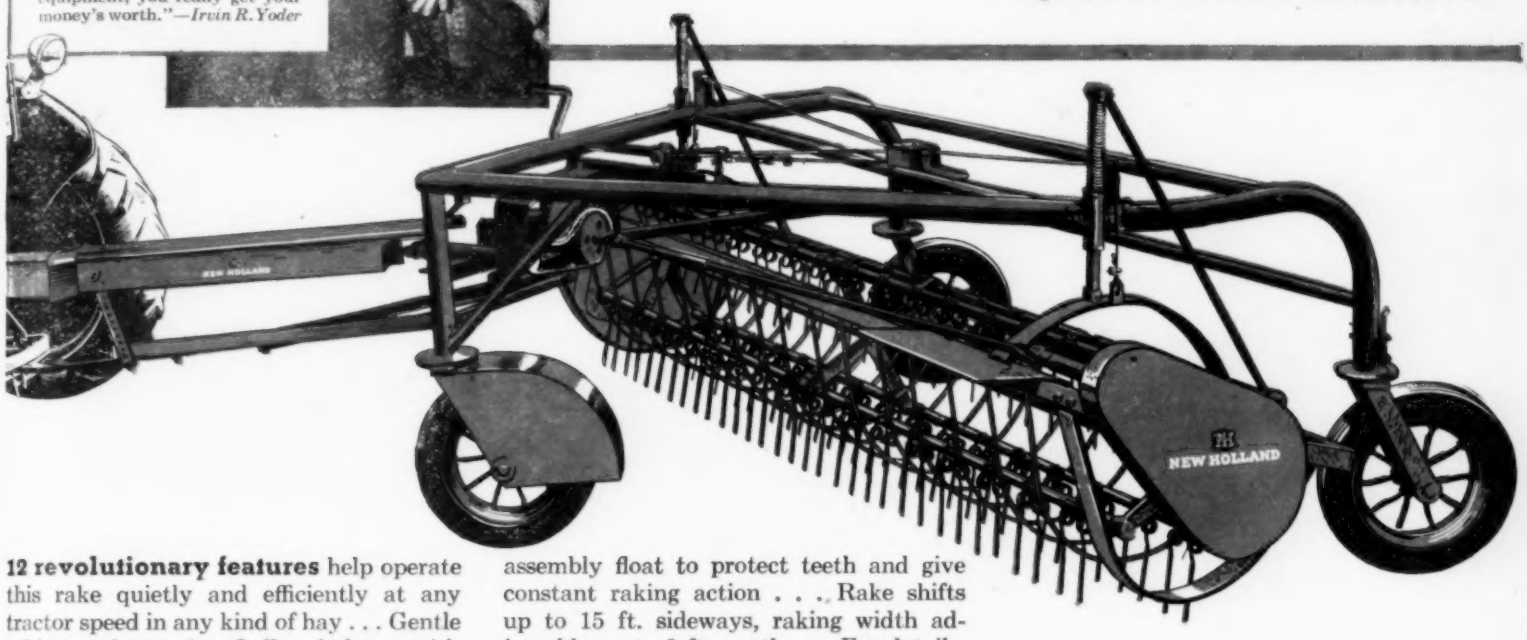

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In The Legislature

Assembly Argues Farm Bills

Money For Farm Bureau, County Fairs, Soil Conservation Work To Be Affected

THE bill in the Iowa legislature to increase county appropriations to farm aid associations (Farm Bureau) has been reported out for debate. But not before agriculture committee No. 1 had recommended a big cut in the extra money originally asked.

At the present time, county aid is $3,000 per year in counties of less than 25,000 population. In counties of more than 25,000, the aid limit is $5,000. (Pottawattamie gets $7,000 because court is held in two cities.)

The bill as it went to committee provided that appropriations be increased to $5,000 in all counties, plus an extra $1,000 for each three extension assistants — home economist, youth assistant or soils man.

The 33-member house agriculture committee No. 1 turned thumbs down on the increase to a flat $5,000 per year in all counties. Old rates were approved. Only the $1,000 increases for extra help were recommended to be kept in the bill.

A special provision of the bill requires that county funds appropriated shall be kept in a separate bank account. The committee added an amendment requiring that the itemized account of how county money was spent be published in two papers of the county.

Representative D. A. Donohue, Tipton real estate man, withdrew his anti-Farm Bureau county aid bill in the face of a certain recommendation for death by indefinite postponement from agriculture committee No. 1.

This action keeps alive Donohue's opportunity to press the contents of his bill by offering an amendment to the increased aid bill when it comes up. Donohue's bill proposed disqualifying farm aid associations for tax aid, if they engage directly or indirectly in business enterprises.

The bill (H. F. 290), to eliminate the requirement of a written notice before November 1 to terminate a farm lease the following March 1, reached the house calendar thru a recommendation for passage by judiciary committee No. 2. Amendments are expected to be filed, but none was suggested by the committee.

The house bill (H. F. 210), to collect the cent-a-pound butterfat tax thruout the month of June instead of during the first 15 days in June, got to the house calendar once with approval of the ways and means committee. It then was sent back to committee.

H. F. 294, to appropriate $1,020,000 a year for state soil conservation work, came out of conservation committee with recommendation for passage.

Hog cholera serum was sipped from a bottle by Carl J. Stephens, attorney for the Farm Bureau, at a public hearing before a house committee. Stephens spoke for a bill to permit others besides pharmacists to sell cholera virus. The supreme court has held that present laws allow only pharmacists to sell it.

Stephens said cholera virus was not dangerous to people, and that after 40 years of selling virus by laymen, there is less hog cholera than at any other time.

Gov. William S. Beardsley has recommended that the present 75 per cent income tax rate be continued on the condition that the sales tax be removed from food. The income tax rates will go back to the higher rates and lower exemptions next year if the legislature takes no action.

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A picture review of successful farming brought to you by the Standard Oil Company

Homemade Cart Cuts Feeding Time in Half. Rolland Klaassen watches farmhand David Thiessen operate labor-saving feed cart on the Klaassen farm in Butler Co., Kansas. The cart—mounted on old auto wheels without tires—runs smoothly on the metal-topped sides of the feed bunk, which stretches from silo to grain shed. Feeding stock stand on concrete slabs along the bunker walls—which cuts down the mud. Owner Klaassen, always practical, keeps his 3 tractors in trim with Iso-Vis Motor Oil . . . says, "long-lasting Iso-Vis lowers my operating costs, cuts my repair bills by preventing breakdowns."

Doubles Corn and Small Grain Yield—that's the record of Edd Goerger, Barney, N. D., shown here with his self-propelled combine. Edd's yield started to increase as soon as he began soil conservation 7 years ago. Edd gets maximum service from machinery, too; says "I use Red Crown Gas for more power and lower operating costs."

Two Engines Equal 57 Years . . . that's the combined age of pump engines Victor Hessler uses to irrigate his land near Sterling, Colorado. One is an old tractor engine (above), the other is from a truck. Both are kept in shape by good maintenance and Permalube Motor Oil.

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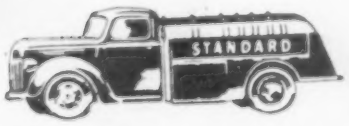

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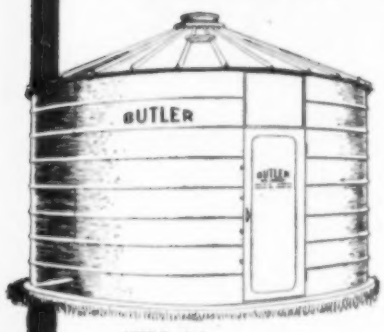

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But you should still be alert for borers. Much oats will be planted on disked stalks. Borers there can emerge whenever they like.

Chemicals are your final "ace in the hole" in protecting your corn from the European corn borer.

Harold Gunderson and Earle Raun, Iowa State College extension entomologists, have written a leaflet that gives the 1949 recommendations for chemical control of borers.

You'll probably want to get a copy of this leaflet (see box at bottom of this page). But here, briefly, is what it suggests:

First-brood borers head for the tallest, most vigorous corn. Borers die easily in small, short corn. So don't plan on treating corn that is less than an average of 35 inches extended height. That means measuring the longest leaf.

Start watching your earliest corn when it is 25 inches high. Examine groups of 10 plants in widely separated parts of the field. If you find 15 egg masses on 30 plants (50 per 100), start treatment.

DDT and Ryania, Gunderson and Raun say, are two materials which have given good results.

For ground spraying, they suggest using three nozzles per row—one above the plant and a double between-the-row nozzle dropped below the top of the corn, spraying plants on each side of the outlets.

They suggest these rates of application (per acre):

With a DDT emulsion from aircraft, 1 to 1½ pounds actual DDT in 2 to 2½ gallons of water; with an emulsion applied by ground equipment, the same amount of DDT in 5 to 15 gallons of water; with DDT wettable powder and collodial suspensions, 1 pound of actual DDT plus a wetting agent in 30 to 50 gallons of water; with a 5 per cent dust, use 1½ to 1¾ pounds of actual DDT.

Check your results. If you can still find lots of borer egg masses (15 per 30 plants), treat again 7 to 10 days after the first application.

You won't get every borer. Don't count on that. But, under average conditions, with spraying properly timed and properly done, you should get from 3 to 30 bushels more corn per acre.

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(Pamphlet No. 139)

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CHEMICAL WEED CONTROL
(Pamphlet No. 140)

The whole field of chemical weed killers is discussed. The chemicals now available and their strong points are listed. Then A. L. Bakke, E. P. Sylwester and D. W. Staniforth give latest rules for using weed killers in various crops and on various weeds. Types of sprayers are discussed. This is a valuable bulletin.

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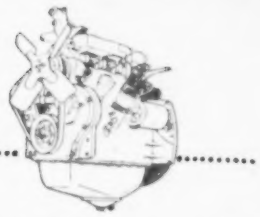

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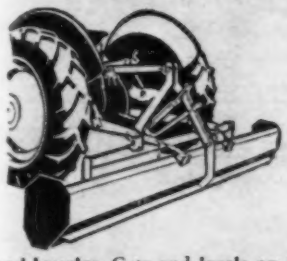

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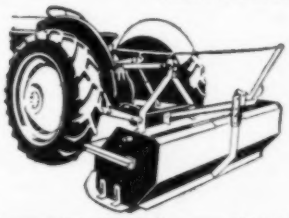
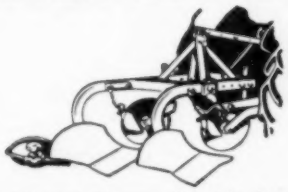


Towner Trip Dump Scraper. 5½' wide, 24" deep, holds 22 cu. ft. Depth of bite, lifting or spreading action governed by Finger Tip Hydraulic Control.



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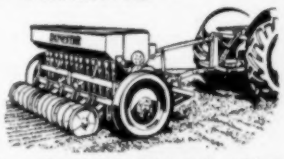

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First Spring litter on Burt Baer farm, in Polk county, Iowa, is warmed by heat bulb. Because of low corn price, more pigs (150) than ever before will farrow on Baer's farm this year.

How Will AAA Figure Corn Bases?

Good Land Use Favored Over History In Setting Future Corn Acreage Allotments

IF YOU have to have a corn acreage base fixed for your farm, how do you want the number of acres determined?

This question might have to be answered sooner than you think. The corn supply is up and the market is down. The new farm price support law provides for acreage allotments under certain conditions.

County AAA men in Iowa are already debating the problems connected with fixing a corn acreage base for each farm.

At a recent Des Moines meeting, a panel of seven county chairmen aired their views before the state-wide group. Clifford Chapman, of Cherokee county, as leader of the panel, named two methods for setting acreage allotments:

1. History—Under this method, your average corn acreage for years back would be figured. That would be your base. Then, if your base was 100 acres, and a 10 per cent cut in corn acres was asked, your allotment would be 90 acres.

2. Proper Land Use—Under this method, your corn base would be determined by estimates of what your land can stand.

If your farm was good enough to stand a four-year rotation with two years of corn, then one-half of the crop land might be included in the corn base.

If your land would stand only one year of corn in three or four years, then one-third or one-fourth of the crop land might be included in the corn allotment.

"History is not the right basis," said Raymond Strain, of Union county, starting the discussion. "You've got to have soil conservation tied in."

Strain was backed up strongly by Lester Coons, of Pottawattamie county. "We used to set corn acres by history, but we've seen the light. We should use land capability to a greater extent."

No one actually argued against adopting good land use instead of the corn grower's past habits for setting corn acreages. But some saw difficulties.

"Can you get the level-land farmer to put one-third of his crop land in conservation crops and go to livestock?" asked Chapman. One man from a level-land county thought they could.

"If farmers get good support prices, they will be willing to cut corn acres," said Ralph Woods, of Greene county.

Some doubt was expressed that the law as it stands would permit anything but the history basis. That brought up the point about how far they should go back in finding the average corn acres.

"We should not go back too far," said Henry Von Muenster, of Cedar county. He thought the war years should be left out. Others would skip '47, '48 and '49, too.

As to who should come to see you about your corn acreage base, the township AAA committeeman proved very popular.

"Leave it to the township AAA committeeman because he knows your farm," said Elmer Guenther, of Floyd county. Several others agreed.

"Allotments have worked," said Anton Rasmussen of Hancock county. He added that some farmers thought allotments should have been in effect this year.

"When corn acreage is reduced," said Coons, "it should be compulsory that acres taken out of corn should be put in conservation crops." He favored making all payments on grass acres, none on grain acres.

"We have never had a surplus of grass crops," Coons added.

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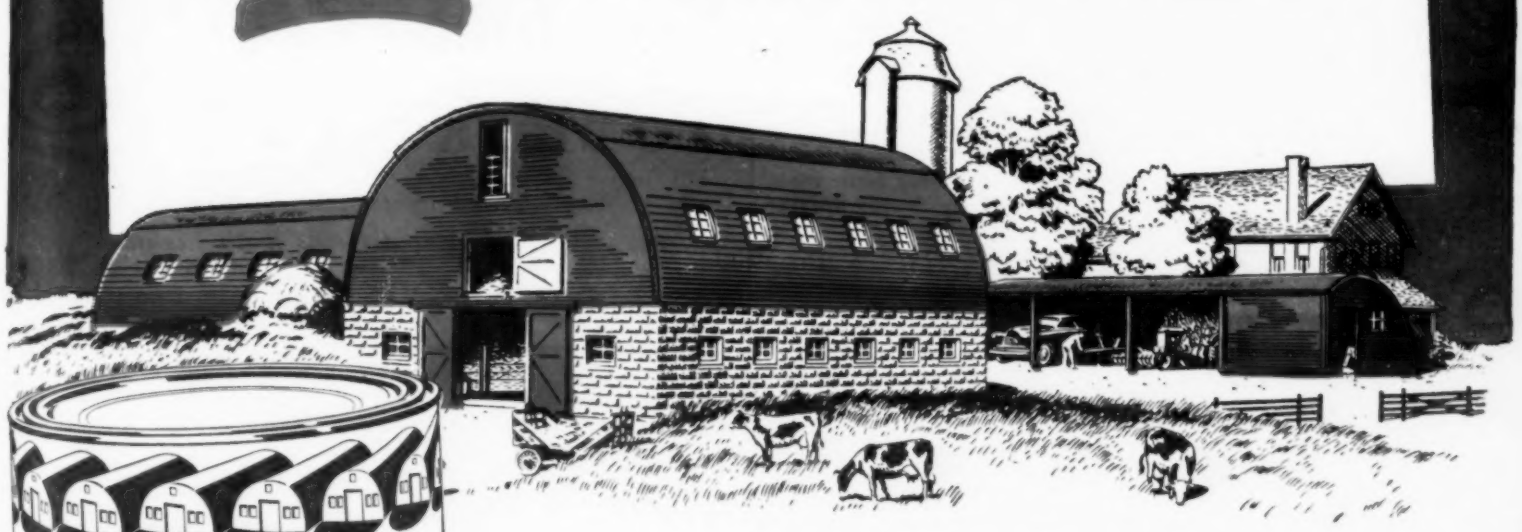

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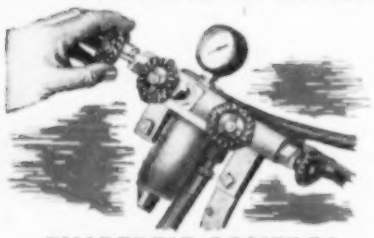

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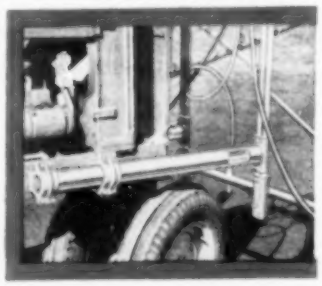

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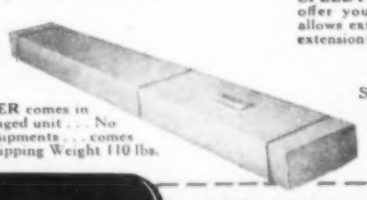

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Since the spring of 1947, Armen Miller, of Greene county, Iowa, has used electric lights over his hog feeders at night. With lights, he says that his pigs consume more feed and make faster gains.

New Ideas Get Hogs To Market Fast

This Farmer Likes To Try New Methods; Gets Rapid Gains With Lighted Feeders

ONE evening, in the spring of 1947, Armen Miller, young Greene county, Iowa, farmer, forgot to turn off the light in his hog lot. That night, he heard his pigs rattling the self-feeder lids so much he decided to try a new idea.

Ever since then, for both his spring and fall pigs, he has used lights over his self-feeders. One of the jobs of a meat producer is to get lots of feed into his livestock. Lights seem to help Miller do that.

He explains that he has made no scientific check on the results—used no control lots. "But I am sure they eat more and make faster gains," he says.

"Lighted self-feeders are valuable during the hot summer weather. If you watch a bunch of hogs, you'll notice that they eat about two or three hours a day. Maybe they will eat a little in the morning. Then they lie in the shade until it cools off in the evening.

"Lights on the feeders at night get them to eat a lot more—and that makes for faster gains," he points out.

In this particular case, the proof of the pudding might be the weight of the pigs when they went to market. Armen Miller has that, too. His 1948 spring pigs were marketed at five months and three days. They averaged 202.5 pounds per head.

Miller says that you don't need to have a lot of light. He uses two self-feeders like the one shown in the picture at the top of the page, placed end to end. He uses a 75-watt bulb at each end.

He is also insistent that water always be available close to the feeders. Pigs have the habit of eating a little and then drinking a little. Plenty of fresh water is half the battle.

Last summer, Miller also tried slopping his hogs during the hot weather. His figures show that the slop got about one extra feed a day into the hogs, which were eating less because of the heat.

He used ground corn and oats in a thin slop twice a day. He gave the hogs all they would clean up in 20 minutes.

The pigs in the picture, part of 70 late fall pigs, were not three months old when the picture was taken. Miller is trying something else with them.

"I'd heard the fellows talk about giving each pig a shot of corn syrup the first day. So, on half the pigs in each litter I did that, and marked them. I'm going to weigh the pigs separately when I sell them," he says.

"Whether they grow any faster or not, I noticed that the shot of syrup they received seemed to give them more energy when they were little," he adds.

This spring, his pigs will run on an alfalfa pasture that joins a shed. He will use the shed for shelter in the summer and put lights over the self-feeders in the shed.

"I have never really tried using lights on self-feeders with pigs on legume pasture," he says. "I don't know if they will help as much or not."

Feeders should be kept inside during the winter months, Miller thinks. So should waterers. His hogs had only an outside waterer. Then a waterer was added inside the hog shed, and consumption jumped almost a gallon per pig per day this winter.

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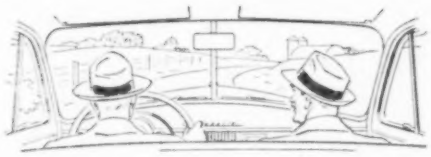

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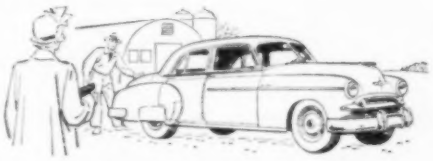

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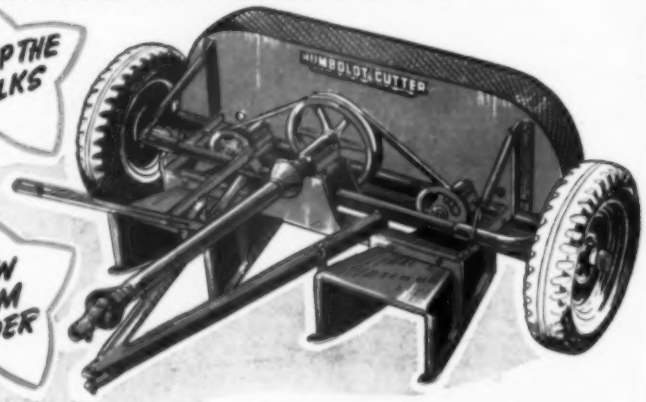

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Only 3 Per Cent Of Iowa's Farmers Would Kill Notification Act; 87 Per Cent Favor It

IF YOU were a tenant—or a landlord — would you want four months' notice before the other fellow ended the lease? That's what the Iowa law provides.

H. F. 290, a bill now before the Iowa legislature, would, in practice, end the effectiveness of this law.

How do Iowa farmers feel about this? Do they want to repeal the law, keep it or improve it?

The Wallace-Homestead Poll, interviewing on the farm a cross-section of Iowa farm people, found that:

1. Repeal of the law was favored by 3 per cent.

2. Keeping the law as it is was favored by 42 per cent.

3. Moving the notification date back to September 1 was favored by 45 per cent.

4. Ten per cent were not sure what was best to do.

Owner-operators and tenants voted about the same way, except that tenants gave stronger approval to September 1 as the notification date.

Politics made no difference in the vote. Of those who voted for the Republican candidate for governor, 89 per cent were for the present law—as it is or with a September 1 date. And 89 per cent of the Democratic voters also approved the law. Folks who didn't vote, or didn't have a choice for governor, were only 70 per cent in favor of the law.

Farm people who are interested enough in politics to vote are also interested in keeping the notification law.

Back in 1943, when a similar attempt was made to kill the notification law, the farm vote in a Wallace-Homestead Poll came out about the same way.

Only 7 per cent wanted repeal then. And 39 per cent wanted the law left with a November 1 date, while 44 per cent wanted the date changed to September 1.

Since a supreme court decision has weakened the law by saying that a clause waiving notification can be included in the lease, the Wallace-Homestead Poll asked:

"This notification law has been changed, in effect, by a supreme court ruling which says that the lease can carry a paragraph stating that notification is not required. Do you think the Iowa legislature should amend the law to require notification, no matter what the lease says?"

On this question, the farm vote was:

1. Yes (for amendment), 67 per cent.

2. No (against amendment), 19 per cent.

3. Undecided, 14 per cent.

On this, Republican voters were 67 per cent for the amendment and Democratic voters were 69 per cent in favor.

Renters were 73 per cent in favor, while owner-operators were only 62 per cent in favor of the amendment.

Some legislators may ask: "How reliable are opinion polls such as these? How far can we count on them to reflect the opinion of all the farmers?"

The Wallace-Homestead Poll has been making surveys of Iowa farm opinion since 1938. Poll results have been checked against elections, census figures, crop and livestock reports, etc.

On most questions, it is safe to figure that the poll percentage will be within 5 points of the figure that would result if every person on the farms of Iowa were polled.

In the case of the 87 per cent who favor the notification law, the vote would lie somewhere between 82 and 93 per cent if every farm adult in Iowa were interviewed.

In addition to casting a vote on this question, many Iowa farm people made additional comments. Some of them are given here:

"Time of notification should be different in different parts of the state. You should be told earlier here than in southern Iowa, where we came from. But you really don't have to be told if you aren't getting along all right; you always

Iowa Farmers Said This---

WHEN WALLACE-HOMESTEAD POLL ASKED:

"The Iowa law now provides that notice of termination of a farm lease on March 1 should be given by the preceding November 1. If no notice is given, the law provides that the lease is automatically extended for another year. Which of the following steps would you like to see taken about this law?"

1. Repeal it	**3%**
2. Leave notification date as it now is, November 1	**42%**
3. Change notification date to September 1	**45%**
4. Not sure	**10%**

Women like notification law, too. Mrs. Hans Barkema, of Hamilton county, Iowa, voted to keep the law, move notification date up to September 1.

know." — Young Woman Renter, Clayton County.

"I'd like to see some kind of a law so that the tenant, if notified on November 1, won't be able to tear up the place in the remaining four months."—Owner Appanoose County.

"Let's let the lease notice termination stay as it is, November 1. It's a good law — keep it! Some farmers aren't familiar with it yet, in this county."—Farm Operator, Johnson County.

"For the good of both landlord and renter, no farm should be rented for less than three years." — Older Farmer, Black Hawk County.

"The law is all right as it is. That gives the tenant time to go out and find a place, and gives the landlord a chance to line up another tenant."—Farm Woman, Union County.

"September 1 is not any too soon to know the plans of either landlord or renter. They both have a better chance to get fixed up for a move if they know about it early."—Owner, Greene County.

"September 1 is too late. The renter should be notified by July 1, at least, in order to give him an opportunity to get another farm." —Renter, Bremer County.

"I believe the date should be moved up to September 1. If you have to move, the sooner you find out the better." — Audubon County.

"Both the landlord and tenant should read their lease carefully. We don't need more laws. If people want to get around them, they will find ways." — Owner, Adair County.

"There should be notification, no matter what the lease says. A lot of people wouldn't read the fine print."—Appanoose County.

"Leave the date where it is—November 1. Too many don't have the rent paid before then."—Union County.

"Looks to me like September 1 gives the renter a chance to find a good farm somewhere else, and the landlord time to find a good renter."—Jackson County.

"There are too many loopholes in these farm leases. The law should insist on notification."—Farm Woman, Tama County.

"Change the date to September 1. Then both the landlord and the tenant will know early in the fall what they are going to do."—Farmer, Fayette County.

Farm Service Bulletin

1 GRASSHOPPER WARNING —New insecticides, chlordane and toxaphene, will be available as sprays, dusts or bait. Community action is best. See your county agent.

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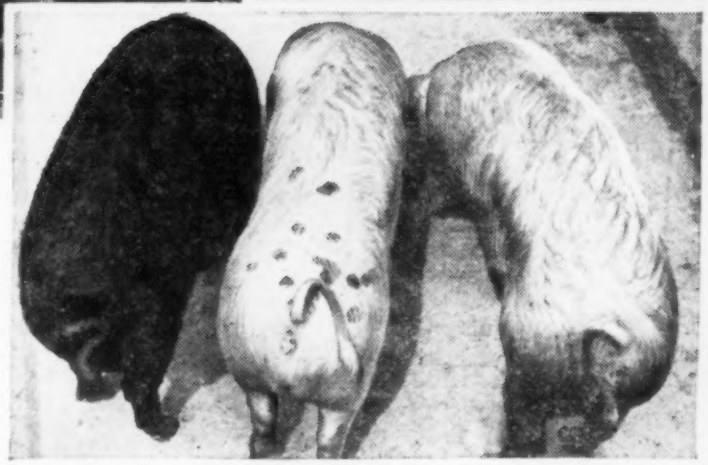

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You Can't Afford To Feed Rats

Poison And Kill Them Now Before They Move Away From Buildings

NOW is a good time to carry out a rat-killing campaign. The rodents are still living around your buildings. As warmer weather comes, they scatter out more. Then it will be harder to wipe them out with poison.

You may wonder if you have enough rats to worry about. Possibly, according to the formula worked out by Harold Gunderson, Iowa State College extension entomologist, you have more than you think.

Says Gunderson: If you never see a rat, but do see signs of them, you probably have from one to 100 rats; if you sometimes see a rat at night, you probably have from 100 to 500.

If you see rats every night, but only occasionally in the daytime, you may have from 500 to 1,000 rats; if lots of rats are seen at night and several every day, you may have as many as 5,000 of the pests on your place.

And you can't afford to feed rats. A rat eats or destroys grain or feed equivalent to three bushels of corn a year.

That doesn't charge the rat for damage done to buildings, foundations or floors. Nor does it count the cost of fires caused by chewed wiring.

Poultry losses and potential losses from livestock disease can also be charged to rats.

Poisoning works best if you prebait with unpoisoned meat for several nights. Rats thus get used to accepting the free meal. And it gives you an idea of how much poison you need to get good kills.

Gunderson says you can figure 100 rats will clean up one pound of bait. Ground horse-meat, fish or meat scraps make good bait.

Place bait in spots frequented by rats. Pick up all uneaten bait each morning. Put out more bait each night, as long as the rats clean it up, until you have a good idea of how many rats you have.

After three or four nights of baiting, mix the poison in with the bait. You can use antu, red squill or barium carbonate. Those are three that work well, altho there are others you can use.

If there is no way you can keep your livestock from getting at the bait, use red squill. However, if a rat once tastes this poison and lives, you'll never get him to taste it again.

Antu is very effective. A tiny amount will kill a rat. But if a rat gets less than a deadly dose, he will be immune to it for about 30 days.

Barium carbonate is odorless, tasteless and deadly to all animals. Treat this poison as any poison should be treated.

In the chicken house, for example, place the bait in a chicken crate where the rats can get it and the chickens can't. Pick up the uneaten bait in the morning. You will be able to pick up a lot of dead rats, too.

In about two weeks, pull the same stunt again. Two poisoning campaigns should pretty well clean you out of rats. Get rid of old trash piles and junky places where rats can live; then they won't be so apt to move back.

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Four-way use of brome grass is made by George Dueringer, dairyman and hog producer in Ford county, Illinois.

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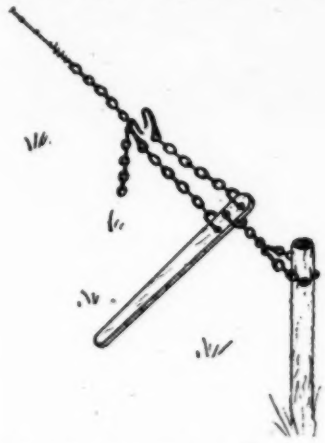
Then the cows go back on the pasture for the rest of the season.

HANDI-HINTS

A Homemade Fence Straightener

Here is a fence straightener that a farmer can make himself. The handle is of any straight-grained hardwood 2x4 or 2x6 at the clevis end, and may be tapered to 2x2 at



the handle. Length may be from 8 to 12 feet, depending upon the power you want.

The take-up chains should be 12 to 14 inches long, grab hooks to grab onto a log chain of at least ⅜-inch link material. These can be fastened to the handle 6 inches apart, with U-bolts or half-inch clevises. Clevis for the anchor chain should be half-way between the pull chains.

This self-locking stretcher can be used wherever heavy, steady power is needed.

Makes Pig Brooders From Old Barrels

Last year, when my sows farrowed early in March, and the weather was cold, I made some brooders which many people have since asked me about. Here's how I made them:

First, I cut ordinary 55-gallon oil barrels in half. This leaves two half-barrels, each with a closed and an open end. At the

open end, make a door six to eight inches wide and about nine inches high.

In the closed end, make a hole large enough for a light plug to fit into. Fasten the half-barrel securely to the corner of the farrowing pen. You can wire it fast, or nail boards across the corner of the pen.

Run an extension cord down to the barrel. Screw in a large bulb or heat lamp, and there's a rugged pig brooder. — Duane Wahman, Hamilton County, Iowa.

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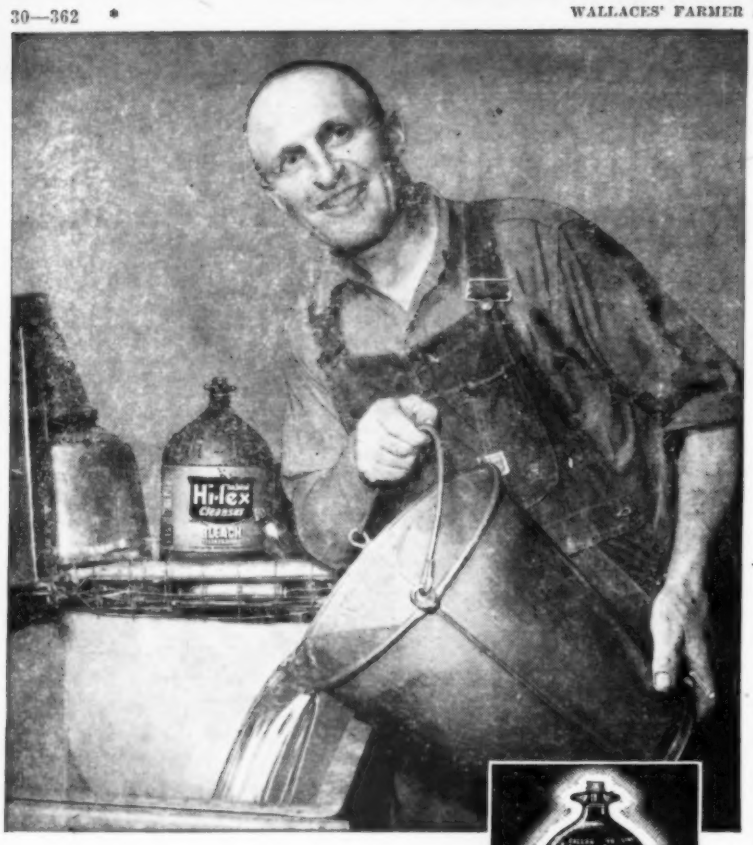

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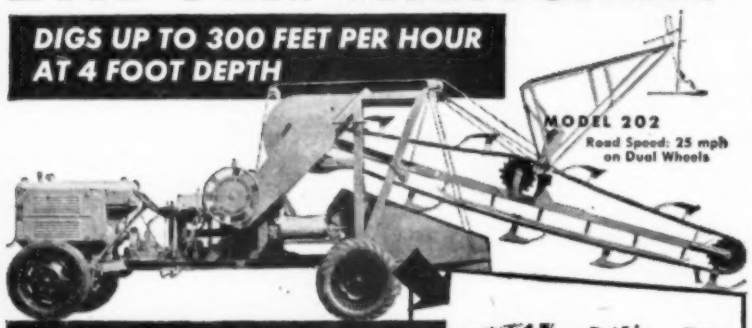

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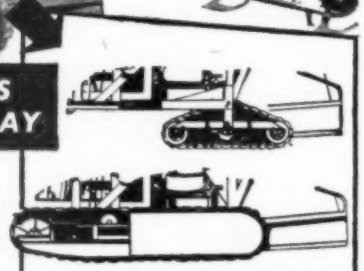

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Where State Income Tax Differs

Federal And Iowa Rules Are Much Alike, But Watch These 11 Points

To the Editor: At what points does the Iowa state income tax differ from the federal income tax? — B. J., Warren County, Iowa.

1. In the first place, you have until March 31 to file your state income tax return. The amount due, if over $10, can be divided into two payments instead of four. First payment is due with the return. Second payment is due September 30.

2. There is no standard deduction for personal expenses on the Iowa income tax form. You must itemize such things as personal taxes, property tax on your home, medical bills, contributions, etc. The federal income tax is a deductible item on your state income tax.

3. Interest on government bonds must be reported on the state income tax form, but you can take it out again. Report the interest at Line 3, Page 1, and deduct it at Line 15.

4. Capital gains are not taxed and capital losses are not deductible on the state income tax report. But the federal and the state authorities define capital gains differently.

You don't have to report the sale of a farm or farm implements on the state income tax form. But money from sales of dairy and breeding stock is taxed the same as other livestock income.

Grain futures bought on the board of trade are not considered as capital assets by the Iowa authorities. Gains are taxable and losses are deductible.

5. Husband and wife can't split the Iowa income as the federal statute permits. They can file jointly or file separate reports, as they may choose. On separate returns, each must report income actually earned by that one.

In some cases, taxes are saved by husband and wife filing separate returns. You can figure both ways, and use the method which results in the least tax.

6. Repairs on farm fences are not allowed under Iowa rules. But, in lieu thereof, "the tax-payer may add such costs to the valuation when computing depreciation on such fences. The depreciation rate shall be 7 per cent of the cost for an unlimited period of time."

7. Earnings of minor children must be reported on the Iowa income tax return. On the federal return, earnings of minor children do not have to be reported by the parents, but the child must make a report if $600 is received.

8. Federal taxes which are deductible on the Iowa return, but not deductible on the federal return, include federal retailers' excise tax on furs, jewelry, luggage and toilet preparations. Also Social Security tax paid by an employed person, but not more than $30.

9. Married persons need not make an Iowa return unless their combined net income is $2,000 or over. Single persons must report if their net income is $1,250 or over. Anyone who gets $3,000 or more of gross income must make a report.

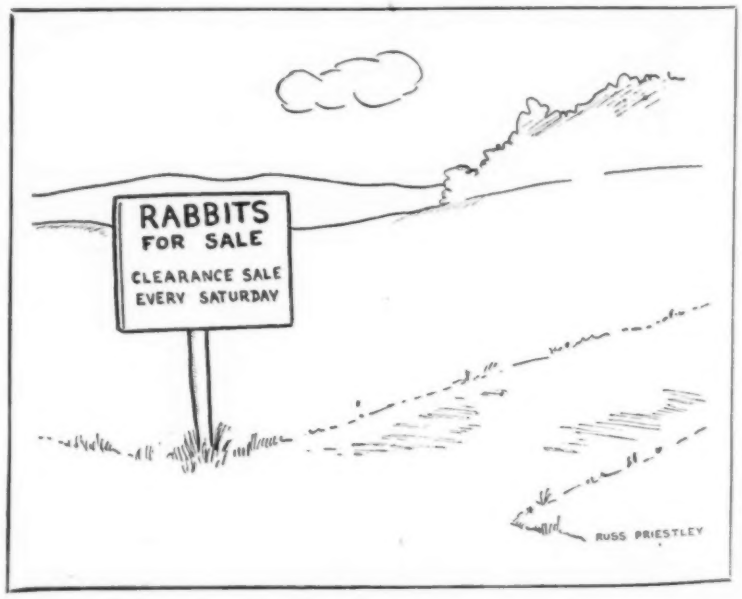
10. Deductions from the computed tax are allowed in the Iowa return, but there are no deductions from gross income allowed. A married couple may deduct $30 for themselves and $7.50 for each dependent. Single persons can deduct $15.

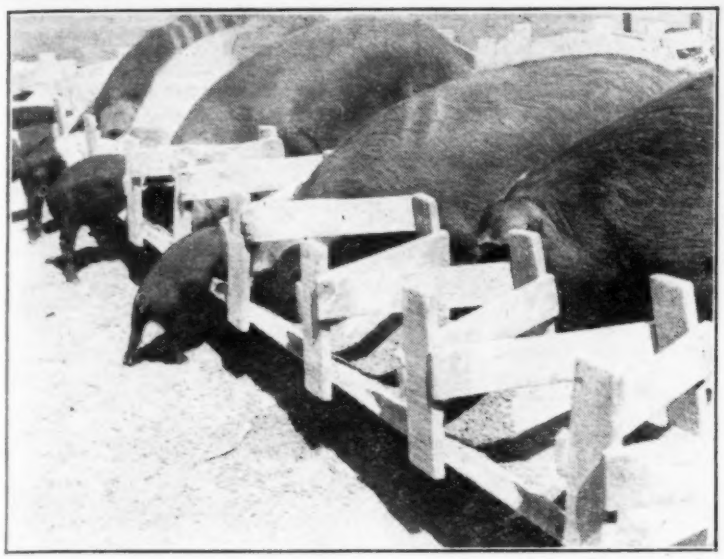
If you furnish the major support of a parent or grandparent, you may deduct $450 from gross income in lieu of the $7.50. But both can't be deducted.

11. The Iowa state net income tax is ¾ per cent on the first $1,000, on the second $1,000 it is 1½ per cent, on the third 2¼ per cent, on the fourth 3 per cent, and on all net income above $4,000 the tax is 3¾ per cent.

This year, the tax will be figured as the blank provides. It is not expected that the legislature will change the rates, as has been done each year for several years.

There are other minor differences between the federal and the Iowa state income tax rules, but the above 11 points are the most important to farmers.





No Fighting among sows at this feed trough on George Leffler's farm in Van Buren county, Iowa. Trough is divided into individual stalls by 1x4 boards in the V-shaped pattern shown.

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The Sign of Protection

Soldiers' Bonus Tax Authorized

To the Editor: I paid my taxes yesterday. After looking thru my receipts, I find that they charged me $2.12 for soldiers' bonus. Is there an assessment for the soldiers' bonus at this time?—W. A., Jasper County, Iowa.

The Iowa State Tax Commission says there is a levy of 1.95 mills for soldiers' bonus. They say this was authorized by the voters last fall when they approved the bonus.

Private Drain Can Cross Road

To the Editor: We are laying a tile to drain our slough. We have to cross a county road. What is the procedure? —D. S., Osceola County, Iowa.

The law says the county board of supervisors or the county engineer must give you specifications for crossing the highways. You have the right to cross the highways for the purpose of drainage. But you must do it according to specifications.

What Standards For Grading Corn?

To the Editor: What are the standards for the various grades of corn? I hear them lots of times, but can't remember the exact requirements.—C. H., Taylor County, Iowa.

Here are the official standards for corn, from the Department of Agriculture Handbook:

Grade No.	Minimum test weight per bu.	Moisture	Maximum limits of— Cracked corn and foreign material	Damaged kernels Total	Damaged kernels Heat-damaged
	Pounds	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent	Per cent
1	54	14.0	2	3	0.1
2	53	15.5	3	5	0.2
3	51	17.5	4	7	0.5
4	48	20.0	5	10	1.0
5	44	23.0	7	15	3.0

How To Register Farm Name

To the Editor: What is the procedure necessary in registering the name of a farm?—M. A., Cherokee County, Iowa.

Iowa law regarding registration of farm names is given in Chapter 557.22 of the Code of Iowa. It says:

"Any owner of a farm in the state may have the name of his farm, together with a description of his lands to which said name applies, recorded in a register kept for that purpose in the office of the county recorder of the county in which said farm is located. Such recorder shall furnish to such land-owner a proper certificate setting forth said name and description of such lands."

The fee is one dollar.

Best Spacing For Soybeans

To the Editor: What is the best spacing for soybeans? And what fertilizer should be used? — C. A. L., Winnebago County, Illinois.

Experiment station tests show that soybeans planted in 21 to 28-inch rows generally yield best. Probably the best spacing for you would be the narrowest your machinery can handle. Many farmers prefer, however, the same width as corn rows, because of convenience in planting and cultivating.

Soybeans respond less to fertilizers than most other crops. Unless your soil has a marked deficiency, it is probable that the fertilizer can be used to better advantage on other crops.

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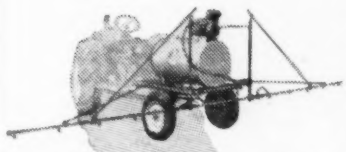

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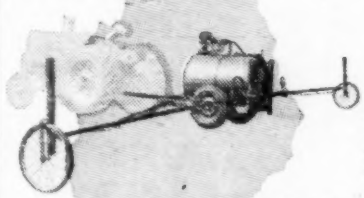

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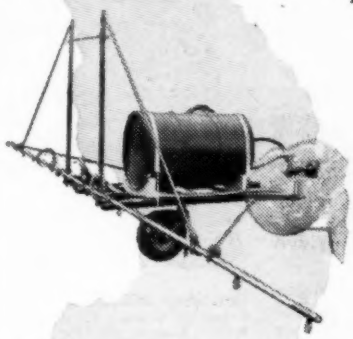

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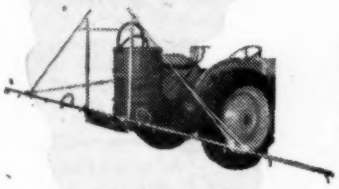

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Robert Bain, Polk county, Iowa, carries the hand boom to spray scattered thistles at the edge of the patch while his father, C. A. Bain, drives the tractor. They are using the ester type 2,4-D.

Here's How To Kill Weeds

Chemicals Are Needed, But They Aren't Substitute For Good Farming Practices

CHEMICAL weed killers are vital to efficient weed control. But they are not a substitute for a number of good farming practices.

Good-quality, clean seed is the foundation of weed control. Clean cultivation and proper seed-bed preparation have an equally important place. So does any other procedure that prevents weeds from going to seed. Finally, for certain weeds, smother crops are recommended.

Those statements are from a new bulletin, "A Bird's-Eye View of Chemical Weed Control." This bulletin was prepared by A. L. Bakke, E. P. Sylwester and D. W. Staniforth, Iowa State College experts in weed control.

They have rounded up the weed-control data that pertains to this section of the country. You will want this bulletin as a reference. Wallaces' Farmer and Iowa Homestead will be glad to send it to you (see page 20.

Space here permits only a brief outline of some of the important sections of the booklet.

The weed-killing experts lead off with a discussion of 11 of the most common chemical weed killers. Some of the 11, like 2,4-D, come in several forms. Each chemical weed killer has certain uses for which it is best fitted. The bulletin tells what those uses are.

Included in the list of weed killers are the dinitro compounds, borax, cyanamid, herbicidal oils, sulfuric acid, sodium pentachlorophenate, IPC, ATA, 2,4,5-T and 2,4-D.

You will be interested in the explanation of the place for sodium salts, amine salts and the ester forms of 2,4-D.

The next section of the bulletin gives recommendations for using 2,4-D on the common Iowa crops.

In spraying weeds in corn, use not more than one-half pound of the salt or amine form, or one-fourth pound of the ester form per acre. Use only enough to kill the weeds. Avoid spraying on extremely warm days.

The use of drop extensions is recommended as one means of keeping much of the 2,4-D off the corn and on the weeds. Wait at least a week after spraying to cultivate corn.

Small grains, which have no legume seeding, can be sprayed when they are from 6 to 10 inches high, after they have fully tillered but before any heads appear. The same dosage applies to both corn and small grains.

Flax, except for varieties like E-5128, Crystal or Minerva, can be sprayed when it is 3 to 6 inches high. But use only one-fourth pound of sodium or amine salts or one-eighth pound of ester per acre. And never, never overdose flax.

One way to eradicate or control many weeds in pastures, fence rows and along roadsides is to use 2,4-D. Most grasses are not injured by ordinary doses of 2,4-D unless they are in the seedling stage.

Following the discussion of Iowa crops, the three experts explain the use of 2,4-D from the weed standpoint. Iowa's weeds are listed and their reaction to weed-killing chemicals explained.

In this section the experts list recommended 2,4-D dosages for the worst weeds.

Several on the noxious weed list require a number of treatments with 2,4-D for control or eradication. These include Canada thistle, horse-nettle, bindweed in some cases, and leafy spurge. The use of 2,4-D is not recommended for quack grass and Russian knapweed.

The various types of sprayers and methods of applying 2,4-D are discussed in another section.

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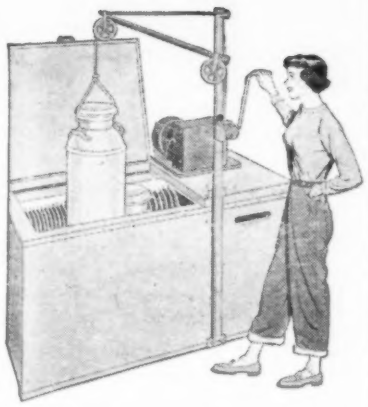

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Patch of weeds in the fence row got 2,4-D treatment from George Petersen, Woodbury county, Iowa, in May of last year. For this small job, he used his three-gallon knapsack sprayer.

ber in spraying weeds make up still another chapter. Each point in chemical weed control is discussed and explained.

Included are suggestions for spraying when the weeds are young; using a good source of water and good line strainers to prevent clogging; using mist nozzles and pressure of 30 to 35 pounds; using drop extensions in corn.

Agitation, speed, pumps and number of gallons of solution per acre are included.

The three weed experts stress the importance of carefully studying the directions accompanying whatever weed-killing chemical you are using.

They close the leaflet with a list of precautions for the use of 2,4-D. It is important to understand what 2,4-D will do and to follow instructions in using it.

Study of this bulletin will insure improved results when you fight weeds with chemical killers. You may get better kills and you might avoid crop damage.

Birdsfoot Clicks With Blue Grass

Birdsfoot trefoil shows more promise as an Iowa pasture crop than any other new legume, reports Iowa State College.

H. D. Hughes, ISC agronomist, lists these advantages of the deep-rooted perennial:

It works better as a companion crop to Kentucky blue grass than any other legume, including alfalfa and red clover. It also does well with timothy or orchard grass.

It will maintain itself for years without reseeding.

It is exceptionally resistant to heat and drouth.

It doesn't suffer from overgrazing and can be grazed the year it is seeded.

And it has as much feed value as alfalfa.

Only catch right now is that the price of birdsfoot trefoil is high. But Hughes suggests you get a few pounds and introduce it in permanent blue grass pastures. Pasture it a few years, then take off a seed crop to increase its acreage.

Be wary of imported birdsfoot seed, Hughes warns. It has not been tested here—and only the broad-leafed variety is adapted to Iowa.

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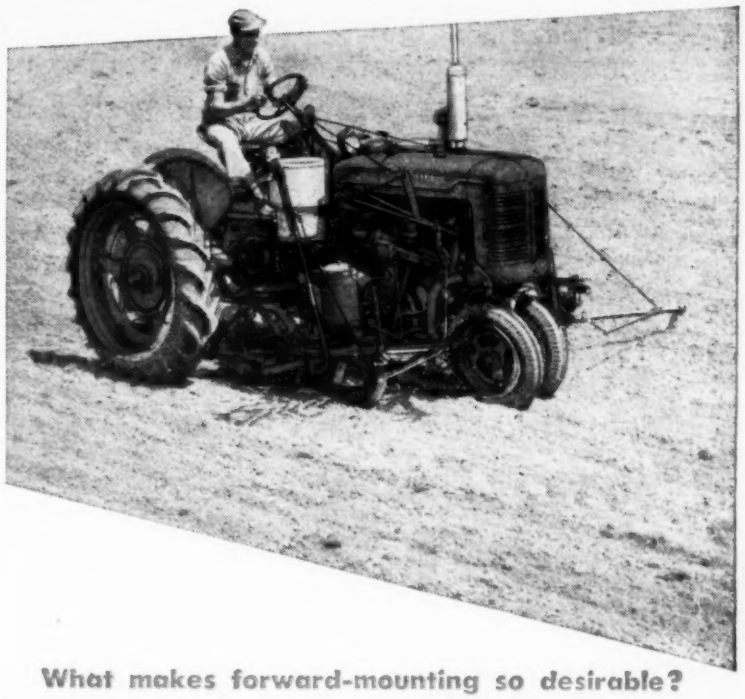

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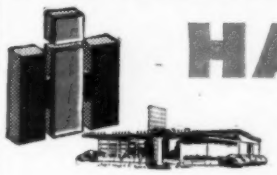

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Homemaking Department

Edited by **ZOE MURPHY**

Dishes are now no chore for Mrs. Eugene Winkelpleck, Boone county, Iowa. She has lots of hot soft water, a divided sink, uses a detergent.

"Tailor-Made Soaps"

WHAT do you use for washing dishes? Fifteen years ago, the answer would be, "Soap, of course." But now you're likely to be using one of the new synthetic detergents. The first of these came out in the early 1930's.

There are now so many detergents on the market that the housewife gives up and calls them all soap. But they're a lot different from soap. The correct name is "synthetic detergent." Another name is "wetting agent." Some call them "tailor-made soaps."

Detergents get away from that scum and curd you always have with soap. Remember the streaks you get when you wash windows with soap? Or that ring on the bathtub? Synthetic detergents make no film or curd, even in hard water.

To get each cleaning job done best, it's important to know which product to buy. Most all detergents make suds, or foam, but some more than others.

Mrs. Robert Herr, Story county, Iowa, cautions about that if you have a mechanical dish-washer. With one brand of detergent she mentioned, so much suds was churned up that two rinses wouldn't take it off.

They had had a water softener before they bought the dish-washer. In those days, Mrs. Herr generally used soap for the dishes. But sometimes the soft water would run out.

"Then," said Mrs. Herr, "I'd switch to a detergent until the water was softened again. The dishes dried out so much better with it—no wiping required."

Certain characteristics may cause you to choose between the synthetic detergents. One brand improved in popularity when it produced a "sneezeless" product. If your water supply is soft, maybe you'll like one without too much suds.

Some detergents are made for special jobs, the same as soaps. One company, for instance, has a product recommended for glassware, dishes, milk things, fine fabrics and woolens. Then it makes another "heavy duty" detergent recommended where the family wash includes heavy overalls and the like.

Synthetic detergents have revolutionized cleaning of the milking machine and separator. Inside the tubes of the milker is an ideal place for bacteria to grow. You know what that means, especially in summer. That's why we used to keep the tubes full of a disinfecting solution.

Soap never did work with milk. It forms a curd. And old-style dairy cleansers caused a whitish deposit on rubber and metal parts. But now you can flush the milker with a wetting agent and your worries are over.

If the whitish deposit has already collected, you can remove it by first soaking the utensils in vinegar solution, then brushing. Here's the formula one dairy equipment service man recommended:

To one gallon water add one quart white vinegar and one tablespoon detergent. This will even remove lime from a tea-kettle or hot-water tank, he claims. However, don't soak metal milk things in this without watching closely. Too long treatment will cause the metal to pit or become rough.

Once your dairy equipment is free of the whitish deposit, wash immediately after every milking with the proper detergent, and your scouring days are ended. You'll need to use a brush on certain parts. More so, if there is garget in the milk.

But in most cases the equipment will flush out clean. No oily droplets left inside milk tubes—consequently, no bacteria can live. A rinse with boiling water is always specified. This leaves equipment hot, so it will dry rapidly.

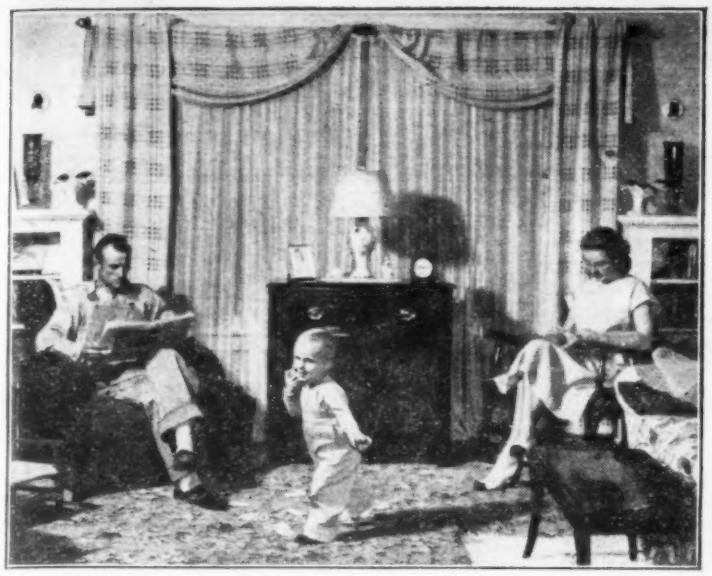
Then why will anybody continue to wash milk things the hard way? "Our separator is at the barn, and we have no hot water there," says one. But that doesn't stop Stanley Bourne, of Hardin county, Iowa.

He has to take out two 10-quart pails for milk and cream, anyway. So he carries these full of warm water from the house. Part he pours into a pail for scalding, and boosts up the temperature with a small electric water heater.

Warm water and detergent are poured in the separator tank right after the milk is rinsed out. This solution is caught in a pail. Then spouts, discs and other parts are whisked thru it before scalding.

A recent story of how one woman uses her electric dish-washer for the separator has caught the fancy of some people. But why go to all that work? The revolving separator bowl is its own best washer.

If you must wait before giving the final touches, let the bowl parts set in the detergent solution. But never let milk dry on the utensils before washing.



It's near bedtime for Quentin, so he's making the most of it. Quentin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson, Sac county, Iowa.

COUNTRY AIR

By ELIZABETH C. WHERRY

THE other day, I heard a sociologist say that country mothers had a hard time of it. Their children were continually saying: "What shall we do now?"

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"Besides," said the sociologist, "who do they have to play with? There aren't near neighbors such as there are in every city block. Certainly, human relationships are about the most important things in the world. How do country children learn to get along with other people?"

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The sociologist had something, I've no doubt, yet a lifetime of country living in me rose to the defense of country mothers. I don't believe country children ask "What shall we do?" any oftener than city children do.

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To be sure, the old squabble between city and country living could go on forever. It is like the childhood question we used to debate on Fridays in country school: "Which is more important—the cow or the horse?

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I always went for the horse side. And look what time has proved for me!

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Could be that time will settle the question by completely decentralizing cities or by making the farmer unnecessary and giving him employment in factories making synthetic food pills.

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But, unless a country mother is awfully stupid, her children can have a very rich life. It's long been my contention that country children have the richest background in the world, but aren't aware of it.

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It never hurts anyone to be close to growing things, be they carrots, roses, lambs or goslings.

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Don't you like to creep home after an argumentative meeting and straighten out your thinking in the quiet of your own dooryard or garden?

And as for the children—well, put on their overshoes and send 'em outdoors, and if they don't find enough puddles to wade in and enough grubby treasures uncovered by the melting snow to intrigue them, without yearning to go to play with the Smith kids, then they haven't much real initiative, anyway.

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Certainly, Thomas Hardy didn't have his eyes on the movies when he wrote "The Return of the Native."

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So much of the action takes place out on the heath and at night that it's hard to see how the natives found their way around, let alone ever having enough light to be able to put the story on the screen.

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Granfer Castle, brisk old scalawag that he is, offers to sing a song at the wedding party. He sang: "She called to her lover from the lattice above: O, come in from the foggy, foggy dew."

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Shades of Beryl Ives! Where did he find his folk-song about the "foggy, foggy dew"? Down south somewhere, probably among the descendants of Egdon Heathites. Seems to me I've heard that the purest English descendants are among the mountaineers of the south.

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How am I going to find out? Where would I look it up? I'd like to know. Oh, well, it might take a lot of work. Why bother?

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But I'd like to know how Granfer's song and Beryl Ives' song happen to have the same refrain. If Granfer sang it, it must have been a good old ballad.

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By now the income tax is paid, the snow is gone, the oats cleaned, and the harness oiled (if there's still a harness on the farm).

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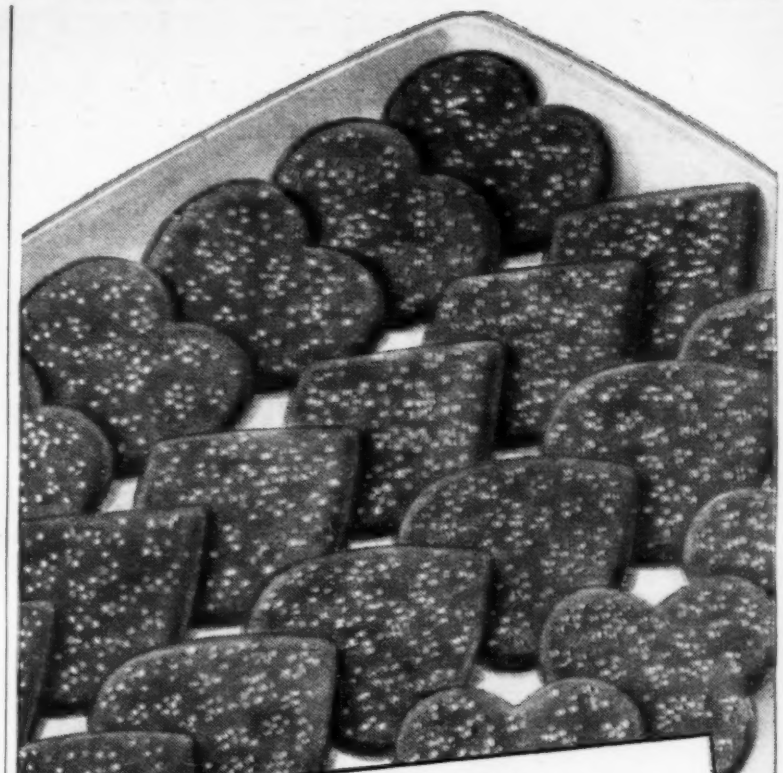
How's for making a call on the new neighbors that moved in the first of March?



Robin Hood

Rolled Chocolate Cookies

Recipe by Rita Martin

1¾ cups sifted ROBIN HOOD ENRICHED FLOUR
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½ tsp. soda
¼ tsp. salt
½ cup shortening
1 cup sugar
1 tsp. vanilla
1 egg
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3 tbsp. milk

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ADD—vanilla and egg; beat well; then melted chocolate; then dry ingredients alternately with milk.
CHILL—to make rolling easier.
ROLL—to desired thickness, cut in fancy shapes.
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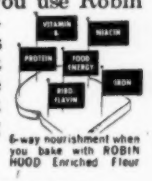

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Mrs. W. H. Royer, a farm woman of Dallas county, Iowa, does needlepoint in the evenings and gives beautiful presents.

Needlepoint for Hobby And Pastime

Iowa Woman Does Needlepoint For Herself As Well as For Her Children and Friends

JEAN ROYER, seven years old, was presented with a new stool to use in front of her dressing table.

This wasn't exactly a surprise for Jean, because her grandmother, Mrs. W. H. Royer, a farm woman of Dallas county, Iowa, had to consult her about the colors for the needlepoint top to cover the stool.

This was an especially nice gift for a little girl. The stool itself is a round piano stool that can be turned up higher as Jean grows taller. The skirt for the stool will match the curtains in Jean's room, and the top of needlepoint in pastel colors will be beautiful as long as it is in use.

Mrs. Royer has made about a hundred pieces of needlepoint. She started about ten years ago with a pillow-top—a conventional design done in shades of green.

Since then, Mrs. Royer has made any number of chair seats and backs, in both naturalistic and formal designs.

She has made several elaborate wall-hangings that are beautiful and colorful. The shading of the colors is a real work of art.

Practically all of the chairs in Mrs. Royer's house are finished with needlepoint. She has a dozen straight chairs finished in this way in a Louis XIV design. There are six rockers and about that many foot-stools. Each room in her comfortable farm home shows her handwork.

Besides this, she has given away a great many pieces to her children, her nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Everyone should have a hobby. Some people collect baskets or dolls or pitchers; other folks work with their hands. Mrs. Royer's choice of needlepoint as a hobby has had its ups and downs.

During the war, it was almost impossible to get the canvas for her work. Much of the material used in needlepoint is imported. It was hard to get yarn—it's still high in price—but somehow Mrs. Royer has been able to keep busy.

After she has filled in the background, Mrs. Royer blocks and stretches her finished work. If the finished article is for a large piece of furniture, she has the work done by an expert in that field. But if it's a small piece—such as the stool for Jean's room, or a foot-stool—then she does it herself.

Mrs. Royer has been active in all kinds of farm work for a great many years. She has worked with the Farm Bureau in her county, with her church, and her community.

She is not only a Master Farm Homemaker of Iowa, but she is president of the National Guild of Master Farm Homemakers.

Since the death of her husband, two years ago, Mrs. Royer has continued to live on the home farm. She has a flock of 500 chickens, and does a good bit of outside work.

Her hobby, Mrs. Royer has found, keeps her evenings occupied and gives her the satisfaction of creating things both beautiful and lasting, which make wonderful gifts for those she loves.

How To Store Cookies

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We're Moving Again This Year

Farm Woman Tells Hows It Feels When You Change To A New Neighborhood

"WE'RE moving again! And I dread it something awful. I know I should be used to it by now—this is the fourth time we have moved—but I'm not. In fact, I dread it more this year than ever before.

No, it isn't the work of fitting my things into strange rooms—I like that part of it. This will be the nicest house we've ever lived in, and I like the furniture moving part.

It's the fitting my family into the new neighborhood that I dread. We don't know a soul over there. The nearest neighbors are a quarter of a mile away, and I don't know if they neighbor much.

Yes, we've always had pretty good luck in finding good neighbors and new friends, so I suppose I shouldn't worry; but you never know when your luck will change.

How did we "break the ice" when we came here four years ago? Well, to tell the truth, we didn't have to do a thing—the neighbors did it all.

The woman across the road knew we were coming from away across the county, and she told the old tenants to tell us that she'd have dinner for us that day, so we'd have a hot meal and still not have to waste the time going to town for it.

The truck didn't get here until about noon, and I couldn't even have made coffee for the men. There were six of us to feed, all strangers, but she did it, and we were friends from then on.

There's a "Kitchen Review" club here, too, and she took me to it the very next time it met. It's really a "Friendship" club of the women in this community, but our husbands call it the "Kitchen Review" because we are always talking about the new kitchens we see when we go to each others' houses.

You say if there isn't a neighborhood club, I can get acquainted thru the church? Sure I can, if there is a rural church nearby, where everybody goes. A church we belonged to when we were first married always had a "Glad to Meet You" party the last of March.

Everybody in the adult class had to bring a new family. There was always a lot of moving in that neighborhood every year. Everybody had to introduce themselves as part of the program, and tell one good trait and one bad trait they had. If some of the old ones couldn't think of a good trait for themselves, there was always someone else who could.

You want to know if we belong to some farm group? You bet we do. Henry is the first one to pay his dues every year. Don't we take our membership with us when we move and get transferred to the new chapter?

Well, it's like this: We can take our transfer right to the new county headquarters, and have them put our name and address on the mailing list, but seems like that's one of the things we are always putting off.

You say we've got three ways of "breaking the ice," and that I shouldn't worry? Maybe I shouldn't; but I like to be friendly, and I know a newcomer has to sort of wait to see what the first move by the old-timers will be.

I'm anxious to do my part if I see that they want to be friendly. I'm always worried, and never really feel settled until the ice is broken. Maybe we'll have good luck again this year.

A friendly neighborhood means as much to me as good farm land means to Henry. I sort of wish they would advertise that along with the plow-land, so a body would know what they're getting into.—R. R. D.

COOKERY CORNER

CREOLE BEEF WITH MACARONI

1 pound ground beef
3 tablespoons fat
1 tablespoon chopped onion
½ cup chopped celery
2 tablespoons flour
2 cups canned tomatoes
½ teaspoon chili powder
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1 cup water
Cooked macaroni

Brown the meat in two tablespoons of fat. Brown onion and celery in one tablespoon of fat. Add flour. Stir well. Add tomatoes to make a sauce. Add seasoning, meat and water. Cook slowly 10 minutes. Serve on hot, cooked macaroni. Makes six servings.

CARAMEL ICING

1 cup brown sugar
¼ cup milk
3 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon vanilla
Powdered sugar

Boil sugar and milk three minutes. Take off fire and cool. Add butter and vanilla and spread with the powdered sugar.—Mrs. Fred Lamp, Polk County, Iowa.

ORANGE ICE CREAM

1 cup light cream
1 cup sugar
1 cup water
1 cup orange juice
3 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon grated orange peel

Freeze cream quite firm in freezing tray. Bring sugar and water to a boil. Cool and add the orange and lemon juice and grated peel. Freeze. Whip the frozen cream. Beat frozen fruit mixture. Combine with cream. Finish freezing. Makes six servings.

WHITE BREAD

2 cakes or packets of fast-rising yeast in half a cup of warm water
2 cups milk, scalded and cooled
2 cups water
½ cup sugar
½ cup shortening
3 tablespoons salt
About 12 cups flour

Into milk and water, lukewarm, put shortening, sugar and salt, add six cups flour and beat to a smooth batter. Add yeast and water, by now very light, and again beat well. Sift two cups flour over it smoothly and set to rise in a warm place. It will double in bulk in about 45 minutes. Add rest of flour gradually, and beat and knead to smooth dough, easily handled. Put in a lightly greased bowl and let rise until double in bulk. Make into loaves or rolls. Let rise again till light, and bake in pre-heated oven 45 minutes. Makes four loaves.—Susan (Mrs. Fred) Benson, Marshall County, Iowa.

MOLASSES DROP COOKIES

1 cup fat
1 cup sugar
2 eggs, beaten
1 cup molasses
5 cups all-purpose flour
1 tablespoon ginger
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon soda
2 cups chopped dates or raisins
2 cups chopped nutmeats
1 cup warm water

Cream fat and sugar; add eggs and molasses. Sift flour with ginger, salt and soda. Alternately add flour and water to the fat, sugar and egg mixture. Mix well. Add raisins and nuts. Drop by teaspoonfuls on lightly greased baking sheet. Bake at 375 degrees for about 10 or 15 minutes, or until cookies spring back when lightly touched.

SALMON ROLL

1 pound can red salmon or other fish, flaked and boned
¼ cup mayonnaise
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
¾ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon lemon juice
1 teaspoon minced onion
1/16 teaspoon pepper

Mix together until blended, then make your favorite biscuit dough. Roll out into 7x15-inch rectangle. Transfer to lightly greased heavy baking sheet. Spread salmon mixture down center of dough to within two inches of either end. Fold over edges. Roll over so lengthwise seam is underneath. Tuck ends under roll. Make slashes along top for steam to escape. Bake 12 to 15 minutes at 425 degrees. Place on hot serving dish. Garnish with lemon wedges and parsley. Serve hot with creamed vegetable, such as asparagus or peas. Serves six to eight. — Mrs. Herbert Andrews, Buena Vista County, Iowa.

DATE PUDDING

3 eggs
1 cup sugar
½ cup fine cracker crumbs
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 cup chopped nuts
1 cup dates, cut up
1 tablespoon water
Dash of salt

Beat the three eggs for five minutes; then add the other ingredients and bake in a moderate oven for about 35 minutes.—Mrs. Dale Wick, Henry County, Iowa.

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by MARY FOSTER

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WHITE CAKE

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2. Measure and sift together **2 cups Mother's Best Enriched Flour.** (The flour that is twice-tested for seven different baking qualities), **3½ teaspoons baking powder** (double acting), **1 teaspoon salt.**
3. Add **one cup milk** (do not use cold milk, but warm to luke-warm). Stir all together, beating about two minutes until batter is smooth and creamy and free from lumps. If you use an electric mixer, be careful not to over-mix. Use slower speeds only until batter is smooth.
4. Add **one-half cup egg whites** and one teaspoon vanilla. Blend in well.
5. Bake in 8-inch layers in a preheated oven 350° for 30 to 35 minutes.
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When breakfast time rolls around, cut off as many slices as you need, and fry until well browned. Save the rest for future breakfasts.

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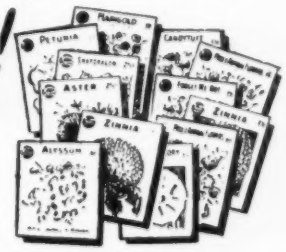

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Refrigeration Makes Better Living

The Modern Refrigerator Does More Than Preserve Food. It Makes Cooking Easier

THINGS are being made handier for the cook all the time. Refrigerators, for example. The John Koch family, of Grundy county, Iowa, until recently had used an old-style electric. Now they have an up-to-date eight-foot model. Said Mrs. Koch: "We didn't know what a refrigerator was until we got this one."

Hers is the conventional style. Frozen food and ice cube compartment (which is also the cold-making unit) is suspended at upper right.

It is larger than in her old one. "More room than for just ice cubes," she said. And, being off to one-side, it makes other storage more handy.

Immediately below is a storage tray for fresh meat and the like. It runs a little colder than the main part of the refrigerator—36 degrees, perhaps, when the rest is 38 degrees.

At the bottom are two glass-covered trays for fruits and vegetables. These are given various names — "hydrator," "hydrovoir," or just plain "crisper." They maintain a moist cold for salad materials. Glass tops serve as the next shelf. And they also let one see what's there.

Brand-new feature is the "butter conditioner." It's recessed in one wall and holds one pound of butter. It has a refrigerating control all its own. So you get away from butter that's too hard. "When you take it out, it's just right to spread sandwiches for school," said Mrs. Koch.

Later, as we gazed at a new model in a store window, a woman passing by volunteered: "That butter container's a fine thing." When we asked the next farm woman we saw what she liked most about her new refrigerator, she immediately replied: "The butter container." So that just about makes it unanimous.

One woman said its location on the inside wall was inconvenient. Now they've got away from that. Latest models have the conditioner on the inside of the door.

You'll find now that ice cubes are easy to get out of their trays. Flexible metal dividers, operated by a handy tool, let you remove just what you need.

Some cabinets have slots so you can space shelves any height you wish. Trays and shelves pull out conveniently. Next to dependable operation, storage convenience is the first thing to look out for.

There are two types of electric refrigerators. One is the conventional type, such as Mrs. Koch's. It can accommodate more frozen food packages than older models—but not so very many. Nor will it keep them too long a time.

Deluxe models have a double-wall door on this compartment. It can hold food around 10 degrees. At best, it's for temporary storage and for freezing ice cubes, desserts and the like. You can't expect it to perform like a deep freeze.

The other type is the "cold wall" refrigerator. It has a frozen food compartment clear across the top. It will freeze and store food as well as any home freezer, and is refrigerated the same way.

No cold coils are visible in the box. They are built in the wall, just outside the smooth interior. So the "cold wall" is exactly that.

On this type there are two separate controls. You can set the one for the freezer as low as 15 degrees below zero and the other at 38 degrees above. Both are generally operated by the same unit.

The motor is usually one-fourth horse-power, compared with one-eighth in the conventional type. However, one company makes a 10½-foot box of this type with two independent units. A one-sixth horse-power motor operates the freezer and a one-eighth horse-power takes care of the eight-foot refrigerator.

Mrs. H. G. Fredericks, Franklin county, Iowa, has a refrigerator of the cold wall type. After four

You can plan meals ahead of time with a home freezer. Mrs. La Vern Zunkel, Boone county, Iowa, makes constant use of hers.

months' use, it still doesn't need defrosting. (They say you'll need to defrost every six months.)

She doesn't have to cover food to prevent drying out. Droplets of moisture could be seen on the walls. They are never cold enough to frost over. Water drains down to a drip-tray beneath.

It's in the frozen storage compartment that the frost collects. Mrs. Galen Ruch, Marshall county, Iowa, told how she defrosts hers:

"First you shut it off," she said. "Then take the packages out of the frozen storage and set a pan of hot water there. The ice soon drops off so you can easily pick it out, and the water drains into a pan you set just below."

The frost drops into the meat tray below. It helps to leave the doors open, whatever type you have.

One make of refrigerator has a device for automatic defrosting. Set a clock on the door for midnight. At that time, the electric current goes off and stays off till defrosting is over. Then the motor starts again automatically, and you find food properly cool the next morning.

Another make has a defrosting indicator. When a little red knob is completely frosted over, then it's time for defrosting. Neither of these devices apply to the cold wall refrigerators.

Ask anyone with a ten-year-old refrigerator, and they may say: "We've hardly had any trouble, except when a belt wears out." Or maybe the motor has gone bad from lack of oiling.

The new models are constructed so as to eliminate all of that. No belt—no oiling. The sealed-in unit will run for years, trouble-free.

What size of refrigerator should you buy? One with a capacity of six cubic feet used to be a common size. Now the eight-foot size is most popular. Many buy the 16-foot. The Fredericks refrigerator is that size — two feet for frozen storage and eight feet for the refrigerator proper.

"My old seven-foot had room for only one package of frozen meat," said Mrs. Fredericks. "This one can hold 72 pounds. But we put everything in the freezer—ice cream, berries, rolls and other baked food.

"Our children are grown. There are just two of us and the hired man. We got this rather than a regular refrigerator and a home freezer. For, if we should move to town, it is enough—along with a town locker."

There were also three in the Levi Cook household, in Marshall county, Iowa. But they have a 10-foot conventional refrigerator, plus a home freezer, plus a locker in town.

When asked if the refrigerator were not too large, Mrs. Cook's answer was an emphatic "No!" "When we butcher a hog and a beef at the same time," she said, "we certainly can use all the space we have."

Still another family has a combination consisting of a refrigerator, a small locker in the kitchen, and a larger one down in the basement.

"I would recommend having two eight-foot freezers rather than one of the 16-foot size," stated a dealer in Hardin county, Iowa. "It's very handy to have one in the kitchen and one in the basement. Maybe you would have fruit and vegetables in one and meat in the other.

"Then, two men can handle a refrigerator up to 10 feet in size, and it will go thru any door. The large ones are hard to get into a house.

"Also, your family may change in size. Perhaps a son will want to take one freezer, when he gets married. And two smaller ones are actually cheaper to operate than one large one."

Experts are careful to point out that a small freezer never should be overloaded. The motors are built for intermittent running. So it's best, when you want to do quick freezing, to put only small quantities in at a time.

Storage racks are handy equipment for any chest-type freezer. By lifting out an upper rack, you can reach the larger packages laid in the bottom.

Freezers of 15 cubic feet and larger may have a separate compartment for sharp freeze. Some others have a sharp freeze end, where more contact is possible against the cold wall or bottom. One chest type has dividers containing freezing coils.

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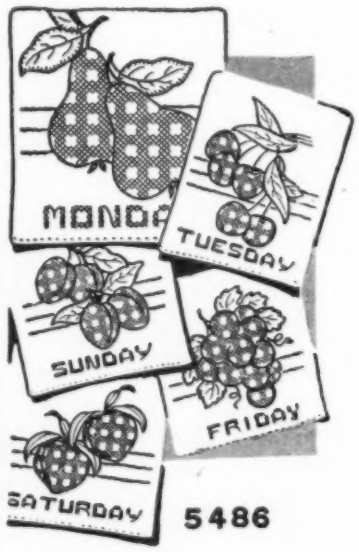

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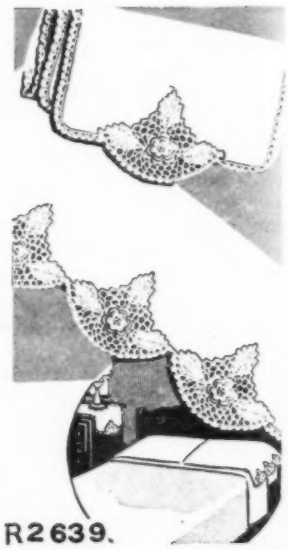

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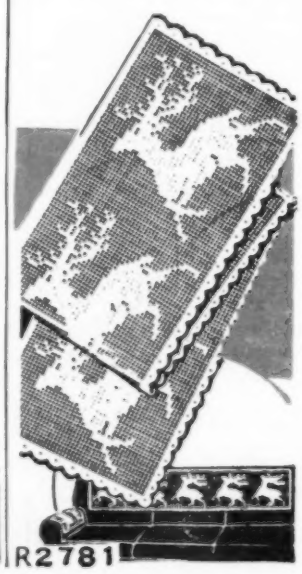

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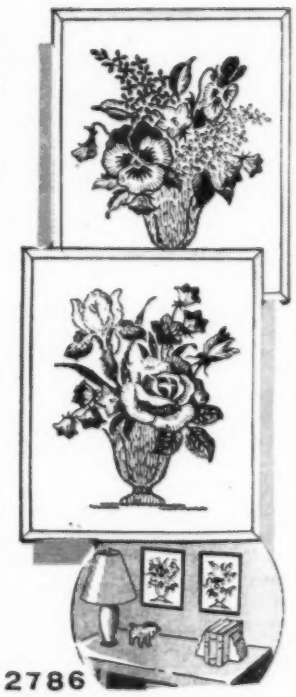

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CAUGHT: I'd keep mum as an oyster, no matter how much I wanted to talk. Anything you say would probably be used against you.

They'll pass on their opinions of each other by putting the words in your mouth and repeating them as original with you.

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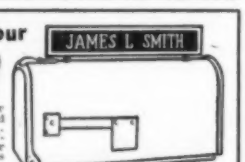

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If The Cook Gets Spring Fever

When Eating Begins to Lose Zest, Here Is How You Can Pep Up Those "Tired" Meals

SUPPLIES in the larder are apt to run low at this time of the year. Those vegetables you froze or canned last summer are pretty well used up.

Meanwhile, appetites are lagging. Just meat and potatoes never were enough. And winter often leaves our bodies short of Vitamins A and D and iron.

Maybe Grandmother wasn't so far off the beam with her spring tonic of sulphur and molasses. We can forget the sulphur—but let's give molasses a second look.

Weight for weight, plain, old-fashioned sorghum contains more iron than any other food. The more you can work into the menu, then, the better. Use it on cookies, gingerbread, Boston brown bread. Or serve it straight on waffles or pancakes.

Eggs pack a lot of nourishment in protein and vitamins, too. There are lots of ways to work them into the diet. A foamy omelet with cheese; baked custards; soft custards, served with fruit.

Why not more angel food cake? If yours is a small family, try making half of your large recipe. This can be baked in your loaf bread pan, and requires only 25 or 30 minutes in the oven. Cuts into nice pieces, too.

Not to miss iron and vitamins, be sure to use the egg yolks somewhere. They'll do in salad dressing, or for a yellow cake.

A tempting ice-box dessert is made by soaking one-half package of lemon jello in one-fourth cup of cold water. Beat three egg yolks and one-fourth cup of sugar. Combine the above with one-half cup of pineapple juice and cook in double boiler, stirring until it is slightly thickened. Cool.

Cut one-fourth pound of marshmallows and one-half cup of nuts (optional) into small pieces. Tear angel food cake into bite sizes and line a 5x8-inch oiled pan with the cake. Beat three egg whites with a pinch of salt till very stiff, then beat in one-fourth cup of sugar.

When custard begins to congeal, fold gently into egg whites and add marshmallows, pineapple and nuts. Pour over cake and chill several hours. Serve with whipped cream.

Dishes with a tang are appreciated at this time of year. So try dried apricot whip, or Bavarian cream. Dried apricots are apt to be high priced, 'tis true. But they are a close equal to liver in the amounts of both iron and Vitamin A they contain. (And more tempting to most appetites.)

Here's what you do: Cook and sweeten dried apricots and mash or sieve them. Add as the fruit to your favorite Bavarian cream recipe.

Fortunately, while other fruit is running out, oranges and lemons are now in most plentiful supply. They'll pep up many recipes. And give you needed Vitamin C. Then, if the family is tiring of those last cans of straight apple sauce, try them on an apple Bavarian cream.

Vegetables for spring are more of a problem. Especially if you've nothing much left in the cellar but canned string beans and carrots. But there are ways to pep up these commonplace vegetables.

Try Lyonnaise green beans, as follows: Saute some onions in fat until slightly brown, then add the beans and season with salt and pepper. Or make a savory vegetable sauce to pour over string beans. The sauce also goes for cooked broccoli, celery, beets and carrots.

Here's the recipe for making the sauce: Saute two tablespoons of minced onions in two tablespoons of butter for five minutes. Add one-half cup of fine, soft bread crumbs, and saute till brown. Add one cup of milk, one-half teaspoon of salt, a dash of pepper and a pinch of marjoram and thyme (if you like them). Simmer ten minutes, stirring frequently. Serve over cooked vegetable.

String beans may also be served with bacon and a white sauce.

Here's a dish that might appeal: Add some onions and tomatoes to green beans and put in a baking dish. Sprinkle with bread crumbs and bake.

Carrots are one of the cheaper fresh vegetables one can buy in the spring. They are commonly buttered or creamed. But there are other interesting ways of preparing them.

Ever try a shredded carrot and raisin salad—or carrot and cabbage salad?

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HOMINY

Hominy or hulled corn, altho a primitive food, is still in use, and should be better known, for it has an unusual flavor.

My favorite hominy recipe is to place six cups of shelled corn in an iron kettle, cover with six cups of water and add one tablespoon of lye. Boil for 20 minutes and drain off the lye-water. Wash the corn until the water is practically clear.

Pour on more water and cook until hulls are loosened and germs are out. Rinse or wash again if necessary, then boil until corn is soft. Enough of the lye remains to give it an agreeable flavor. This makes a gallon of hominy.

Hominy is delicious when it is canned, to have to open the next summer for harvest hands. After hulls are loosened and the lye is washed out, partially cook the corn, pour into sterilized quart jars loosely, and cook under 10 pounds of pressure for 40 minutes. Serve heated and seasoned with butter or fryings.

CORN MEAL

Yellow and white cornmeal are about equal in nutritive value, but the flavor of the white is considered more delicate. Corn is rich in Vitamin A and is a good source of iron and calcium.

CORN BREAD

1½ cups corn meal
½ cup white flour
1 teaspoon salt
1½ teaspoons baking powder
1 egg
1 cup milk
6 tablespoons melted fat

Sift dry ingredients into bowl, add slightly beaten egg and other liquids and mix thoroly. Pour into hot oiled pan and bake in a hot oven about 25 minutes.

CORN CAKE

1 cup flour
½ cup yellow corn meal
¼ cup sugar
½ teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 cup sweet milk
1 egg
2 tablespoons butter

Mix the dry ingredients thoroly in the order given. Add the milk with the egg (well beaten) and the melted butter last. Beat well and bake in muffin pans or a shallow pan in a hot oven for about 20 minutes.

This cake may be made without the egg, and when it is to be eaten with meat, the egg is unnecessary. But when this is the most substantial part of the meal, the egg should be used.—Mrs. Ruth Stevenson, Davis County, Iowa.

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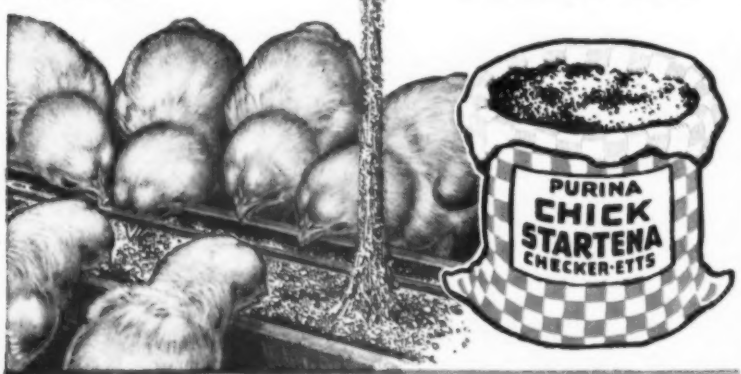

Like Most folks who raised chickens last year, the Coy Gilberts, of Warren county, Iowa, are buying the same number of chicks this year. But "in-and-outers" are coming back in (see below).

THE FARM FLOCK

IN A RECENT Wallace-Homestead Poll, we asked a cross-section of Iowa farm folks whether they planned to buy more chicks this year than in 1948. The answers add up to a 12 per cent increase.

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BUT HERE'S the interesting thing: The increase isn't coming from people who were in the chicken business last year. They're buying what their housing and equipment will handle — just as they did last year.

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IT'S "IN-AND-OUTERS" who account for most of that 12 per cent boost. Apparently, quite a few folks dropped out of poultry raising last year when feed was high-priced. Now they're coming back in.

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AS OFTEN HAPPENS, those "in-and-outers" might be disappointed. Egg prices could drop rapidly after Christmas.

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ONE REASON, of course, is more eggs. Another is that—as things stand now—government price supports on eggs will be lower in 1950. And nobody knows what might happen to consumer demand by that time. Right now, it's showing signs of weakening somewhat.

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BUT IF YOU HAVE your chicks started by now, you shouldn't have many worries. Early pullets will shell out a lot of eggs early next winter, before any big drop in prices comes along. And early cockerels will hit the fryer market ahead of the rush.

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GETTING BACK to that Wallace-Homestead Poll, it's interesting to see how the 12 per cent chick increase breaks down. Folks on bigger farms will expand more than those on smaller ones. And renters are increasing chick-buying more than farm owners.

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THE POLL SHOWS that there will be a 19 per cent increase in chick-buying on farms over 180 acres. Folks on farms under 180 acres are buying only 9 per cent more chicks. Number of chicks on rented farms will go up by 14 per cent over 1948. Owner-operators plan to buy 11 per cent more chicks this year.

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FOR THOSE OF YOU who still have your chicks to come, two suggestions are in order: Start just the number of chicks your equipment will handle efficiently; don't overcrowd. And do as careful a management job as you can. This year, a low death loss, high feed efficiency and a high egg production per hen will be more important than ever.

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AS MOST OF YOU know, Iowa in recent years has seen a big shift away from raising meat chickens. More and more poultry raisers have been buying sexed chicks. One reason is that less brooding equipment is needed. (See story on opposite page.)

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BUT THERE'S ANOTHER reason, too: We're much more efficient at producing eggs than we are at producing chicken meat. With better management and better layers, it now takes only 70 per cent as much feed to produce a dozen eggs as 10 years ago.

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WE'VE MADE NO SUCH progress in raising meat chickens. So commercial broiler areas—where producers have learned a lot of efficiency tricks—have been gradually invading our meat chicken markets.

Plan All Pullet Flock Now

You Can Start With Straight-Run Chicks If You Have Enough Brooder House Space

Chick-buying decisions hinge on equipment and the kind of laying flock you want. W. R. Whitfield, Iowa State College poultryman, outlines some of the things to consider.

ARE you going to have an all-pullet flock next fall? If you are, you'll have to make your plans now—at chick-starting time. So let's consider some of the advantages and problems involved.

One advantage is that pullets will out-lay old hens—by 20 to 30 per cent. These extra eggs are produced in the fall when eggs are scarcest. So, even tho some are small in size, they sell at higher prices.

An all-pullet flock means lower mortality, too. Many old hens are disease "carriers." They can pass their troubles along to young, unprotected birds and start a first-class outbreak. Pullets may pick up parasites from the old hens, too.

Another big factor is that many of your old hens will be molting next fall. It doesn't make sense to have a house full of loafers if you can have pullets all ready to go in and start laying during the season of high egg prices.

So, for most flock owners, there is little question about the advantages of filling your laying house with pullets next fall.

But how do you go about starting an all-pullet flock?

Some folks have the idea that "all-pullet flock" means buying sexed pullet chicks. That's not so. You can have an all-pullet flock next winter if you start straight-run chicks now. Because "all-pullet flock" describes next fall's layers, not this spring's chicks.

But there is this difference between sexed and straight-run chicks: The straight-run brood requires more brooder house space.

Many poultry raisers figure that extra space is worth having. Cockerel chicks can be sold as meat in 12 weeks. And, tho late-hatched friers may bring disappointing prices this year, meat birds marketed ahead of the rush are usually good money-makers and make quicker profits than pullets.

So your chick-buying decision really rests on this question: How do your brooder house and laying house fit each other?

If your brooder house space is equal to one-half the space in your hen house, you can safely start straight-run chicks. Figure two chicks to the square foot of brooder house space.

After selling the cockerels and allowing for normal mortality and culling, you'll still have enough good pullets to fill your laying house.

But suppose your brooder house has only one-fourth as much floor space as your laying house? Then you'll either have to buy sexed pullet chicks, or buy another brooder house.

For example, a flock owner with a hen house 20x40 feet will have space to house 230 general purpose breed pullets or about 270 Leghorn-type layers. To end up with that many pullets next fall, he'll have to start about 600 straight-run chicks or about 300 sexed chicks.

If his brooder house has half as much space as his laying house, he has a 20x20 brooder. That's plenty of room for 600 straight-run chicks.

But if his brooder house is only 10x20 (very few are as large on general farms), he'll have to buy sexed chicks. Putting 600 straight-run chicks into such a small house would invite trouble from crowding. And a smaller straight-run brood wouldn't give him enough pullets to fill his laying house.

To repeat: For straight-run chicks, you need a brooder house with one-half the floor space of your laying house. If the brooder isn't that big, buy sexed chicks or another brooder house. Whatever you do, don't short-change chicks on space. Stick to the "one square foot for two chicks" rule.

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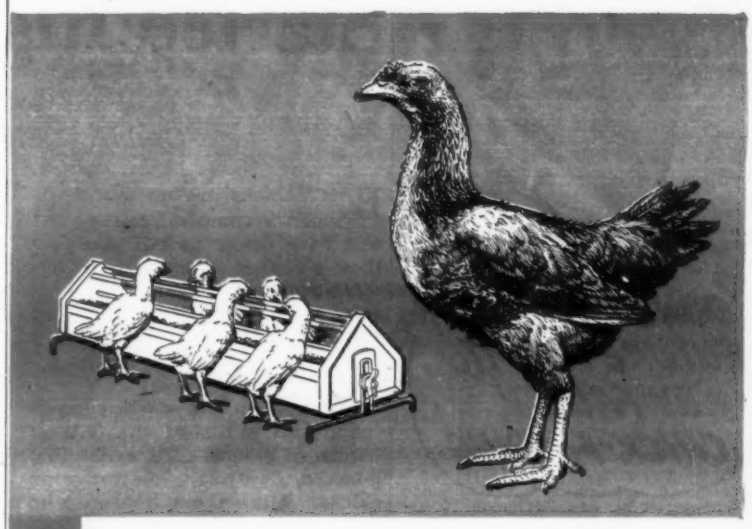

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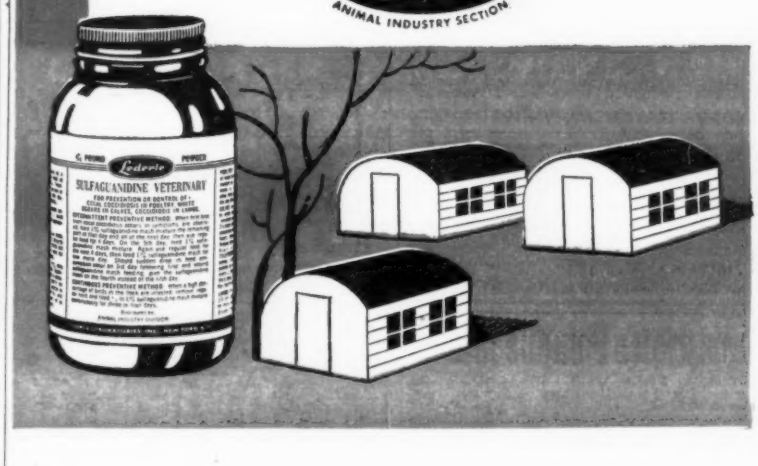

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"Chicks know by instinct how and when to eat," says Herbert Buck, of Adair county, Iowa. "And they know what to eat, too—if it's available."

But human hands often botch the deal and distort the feeding habits of chicks. To avoid this mistake, says Buck, self-feed your chicks. Give them a chance to develop their own taste and judgment about eating. Put the proper feed before them—and they'll do the rest.

Buck speaks from experience. As a cooperator in the Iowa State College record demonstration flock project, he has records to back him up.

Both chicks and layers on the Buck farm used to be hand-fed. When the program was changed to self-feeding, a better flock of pullets grew up to lay more eggs.

So Buck is convinced that chicks can be trained to do a better job of choosing a diet than most flock owners can do for them.

Starting right is important. That means a high-quality starter mash. "High-quality" means just that. And quality is far more important than price. You won't save anything by buying a starter that does not contain the vitamins, minerals and proteins your chicks need.

A good chick starter contains from 18 to 20 per cent protein. Start feeding it when chicks are 24 hours old, or when they first arrive from the hatchery. If you wait too long, you may be troubled with toe-picking, litter-eating or starvation.

Two-inch-high feeders level full of mash is all the invitation the chicks need. Don't skimp them on feeder space—two inches of room per chick will give each chick a chance to eat. And it's unnecessary to spread feed on paper or cardboard.

After about the second day, fill feeders only half full. That will prevent waste and keep the chicks from picking up feed off the floor. That habit often causes crop impaction because of heavy litter consumption.

Be sure to keep the feed clean, too. Feeders should have reels or guards to keep chicks from scratching in the feed. As the chicks grow, raise feeders on legs or blocks so litter can't be scratched into them.

At four weeks, chicks should have six-inch-high feeders. Providing bigger feeders as the chicks grow saves the work of frequent filling and makes certain that the chicks won't be without feed.

Herbert Buck starts grain feeding when chicks are eight weeks old. Until then, grain in the mash is adequate. And earlier grain feeding slows up growth and feathering.

Feed whole oats and shelled corn in troughs placed alongside mash feeders. The chicks may take a little time to start eating whole grains. But don't worry about the delay. The chicks will do a good job of balancing their own ration.

You don't need to scatter grain on the mash. And cracking corn or mixing grains is a waste of time unless chicks are to be sold as meat. Broilers can be finished a little better if they get cracked corn and whole oats at six or seven weeks of age.

But any change in feeding program requires adjustment and causes chicks to lose weight. The program outlined above should be entirely satisfactory until cockerels are ready for market and pullets go on range.

Deep Litter Cuts Coccidiosis

Cut down losses from coccidiosis by building up immunity in the chicks thru the use of deep litter, says W. R. Whitfield, of Iowa State College.

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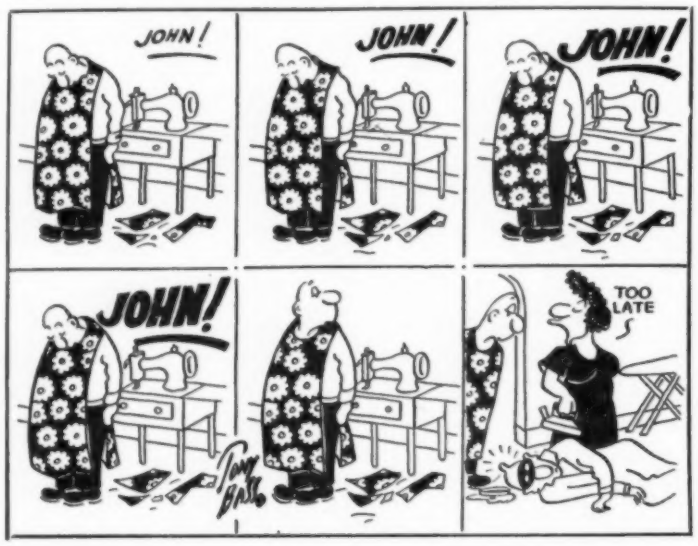
And, by the time warm, damp weather—which means rapid development of coccidiosis—arrives, the chicks have become somewhat immune to the disease.



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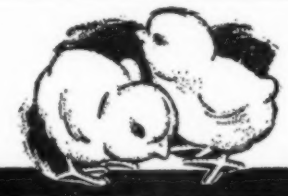

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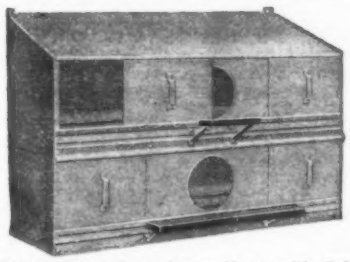

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Near 70 Per Cent Production

To the Editor: In your February 19 issue, it was mentioned that B. J. Hall, Greene county, Iowa, was getting 275 to 280 eggs daily from 550 layers.

This is a good average, but only slightly over 50 per cent. My mother-in-law, Mrs. Joe Fibekar, has been getting an average of over 300 eggs from her 445 hens since shortly after they were housed—with upwards of 330 on some days. —Myron Smith, Wright County, Iowa.

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Dr. C. D. Lee, extension veterinarian at Iowa State College, warns that Newcastle will kill young chicks in a hurry. Death losses in laying flocks usually are lower. But the disease will throw layers out of production and keep them that way for several weeks.

To avoid Newcastle, start with a good sanitation program, says Doctor Lee. That means thoro cleaning and disinfecting of your brooder house. Buy quality chicks from a reliable hatchery—and it won't hurt to take them home in your own car or truck.

Lee also suggests: Don't allow visitors around the brooder house. And keep other chickens away.

Several companies now are making vaccines that give protection against Newcastle. The type of vaccine to use, and the time to use it, depend partly upon the kind of poultry program you're following. Best bet is to check with your local veterinarian about a vaccination plan.

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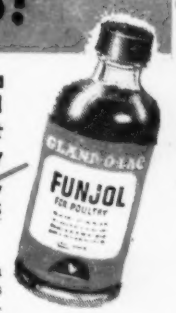

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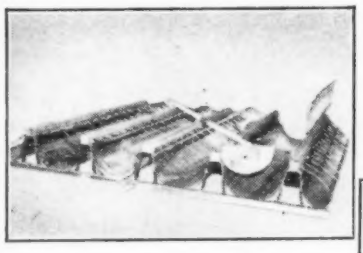

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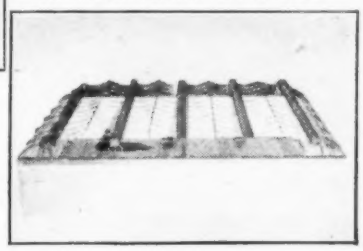

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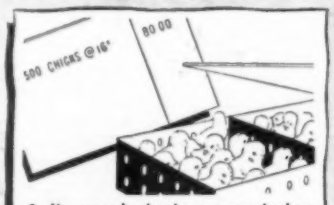

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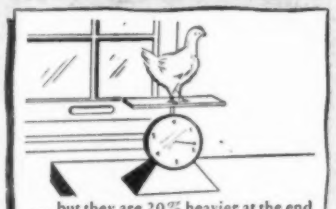

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Alp contends that consumers now are demanding a high-quality type of eggs and poultry that only specialized production and processing can supply.

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Alp said the swing to larger flocks is a healthy sign—"because it points toward an increase in year-around production of quality eggs and poultry."

The trend toward specialization in poultry farming, he said, is in line with developments in all phases of agriculture.

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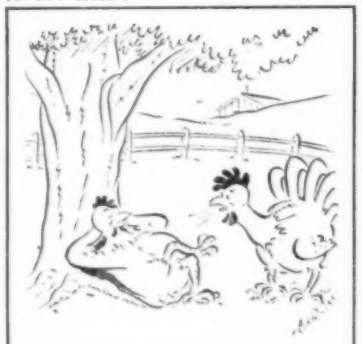

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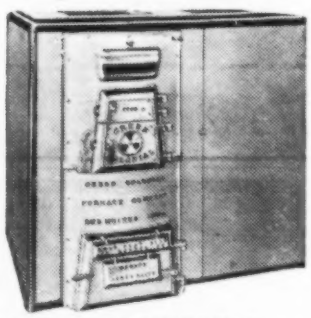

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A JURY is said to consist of 12 persons chosen to decide who has the better lawyer.—Manning Monitor.

BOYS IN A WISCONSIN high school have started a fad of dyeing their hair. If you want our opinion, a tanning on the opposite end is in order. — Lake Mills Graphic.

A NEW TWIST has been put on the wisdom of marrying late in life with the prediction that when the kids are old enough to sow their wild oats, the parents are too old to do the thrashing.—Lake Mills Graphic.

MARRIAGE has been defined as the process of finding out what the perfect husband would have been like. — Mason City Globe-Gazette.

WHY WAS JULIUS CAESAR so concerned about the "Ides of March"? The income tax law had not even been thought of at that time.—Guthrie Center Guthrian.

A CHICAGO MAN will be eligible for parole from a penitentiary sentence in 232 years. By that time, he may like the place and decide to stay.—Webster City Freeman-Journal.

IT'S ONLY WHEN a man's wife can read him like a book that most husbands decide to turn over a new leaf. — Mason City Globe-Gazette.

A BILL in the state legislature proposed to have that law-making body meet every year. Why make the suffering more frequent? —Danbury Review.

THE ABILITY to throw yourself into everything you undertake is a commendable trait, unless you are digging a deep well.—Marathon Republic.

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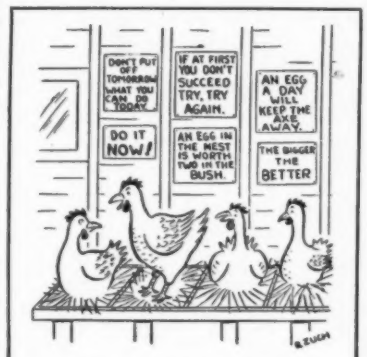

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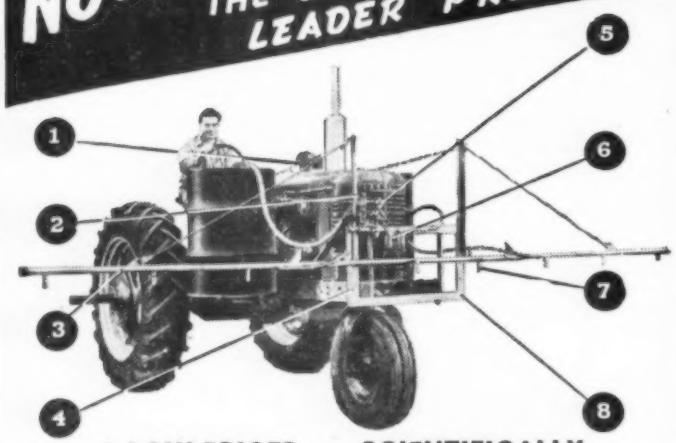

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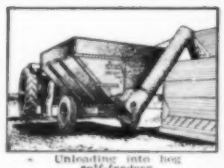

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Should 1949 Corn Acres Count?

Senate And House Deadlocked On Counting 1949 Corn Acreage In Making Allotments

WASHINGTON, D. C.—If farmers have corn allotments in 1950, should the 1949 corn acreage count in adding up a five-year average for a historical base?

Most farm leaders say "No." The senate says "No." But the house of representatives says "Yes."

What difference does it make? Let's figure.

Suppose you raised 40 acres of corn each year for the four years ending in 1948. And you plan to raise 49 in 1949. That gives you a five-year average of 43 acres.

If, in 1950, you are told to cut corn acreage by 10 per cent, your corn acreage goes down to 36.

But suppose you look ahead and in 1949 put in 60 acres. That brings your five-year average up to 44 acres. Cut 10 per cent, and you have 39.6 acres. That's practically the 40 acres you started with. You haven't really cut at all.

That's why farm leaders and the senate want to leave out 1949 acreage. They figure some farmers will expand acreage, build up the corn surplus, and fix things so they won't have to cut much in 1950.

As this is written, the bill to leave out 1949 acreage in figuring allotments is in conference committee. The committee is deadlocked.

House members of the conference committee claim that farmers will plant big acreages of grain and tobacco anyway this year, and it won't make any difference what the law says.

Cotton is different, they claim. The cotton market is growing smaller every year. Everything should be done to keep this year's acreage down.

The Department of Agriculture says that if congress doesn't act on the bills by the end of March, there will be no use to act at all. Some of the cotton in southern Texas will be planted in late March.

One suggestion is to use the soil conservation plan of each farm as the base, but no legislative action has been taken in this direction.

One trouble here, of course, is to get adequate soil management plans worked out for each farm by the time allotments need to be made.

Several top-ranking farm leaders here predict that the Aiken long-range farm law, with its system of flexible price supports, will go into effect next year because of the inability of house and senate to agree on anything different.

They expect the house to pass a new bill, providing for somewhat more rigid supports, perhaps close to 90 per cent of parity, with crop controls.

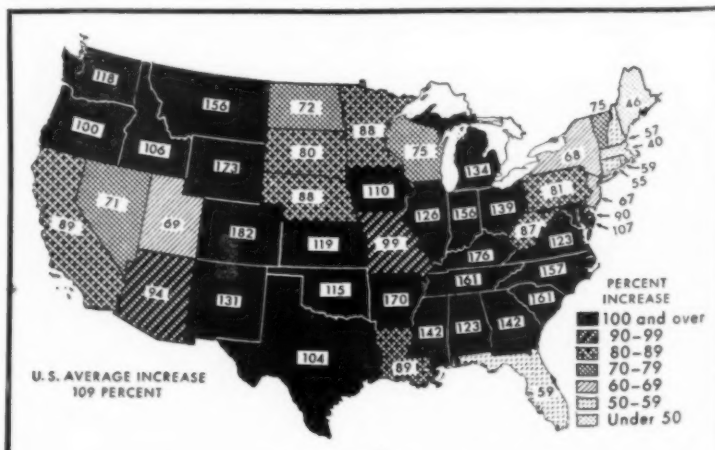
The senate, on the other hand, may refuse to pass such a bill. The session may wind up with the two houses in disagreement. As a result, the Aiken law would go into effect.

Several of those making these predictions are house leaders who don't like the Aiken law. But they see little chance of getting it repealed or changed because of the attitude of the senate.

President Allan B. Kline, of the American Farm Bureau Federa- has warned the railroads that they are driving farmer-shippers into the hands of the trucking industry by their demands for higher freight rates.

Kline gave this warning before the Interstate Commerce Commission, the agency which sets railroad rates. The railroads want a 13 per cent hike.

Instead of trying to get higher



Where Land Price Boomed

Black states are those where farm land prices increased 100 per cent or more from 1935-39 to July, 1948. Range states showed biggest increase. Citrus states have begun to slump from war peak. Figures are those of Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

FEEDING FACTS by the "Old Timer"

John Haberkorn, President of Viking Laboratories, Inc., is known far and wide as "The Old Timer" in mineral feeding.

This has really been a hard winter. I have talked with older men (older than "The Old Timer") and it was as rough as they had ever seen. But we bounce back when the snow begins to leave and it comes time to plant.

CARL DOLL from over in Illinois was in to get his truck loaded with VIKING VILAK. "The Choice of Breeders and Feeders of Champions." Carl is doing a fine job of organizing sales and says, "Watch Illinois from now on."

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The postcards are still coming in with requests for "The Old Timers" book, "Good Breeding and Feeding." I sure enjoy sending 'em out so PUT YOUR CARD (with name and address) IN THE MAIL TODAY. And I'm getting letters from quite a few folks who want help on feeding problems. I'd sure enjoy a letter from you with questions or news for the column.

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Aiken of Vermont. His farm law may stay as it is now because the senate and house can't get together on changes.

rates, Kline said railroads should adopt a vigorous program aimed at increased efficiency.

Farmers may soon be able to breathe a little easier about the way the government will support hog prices. The announcement that prices would be supported at 90 per cent of parity thru next March pleased many farmers, but made others ask:

"How will these prices actually be supported? If the government just goes on the market to buy pork, it can't hold the price up if a big rush of hogs comes in."

One plan repeatedly suggested is the "compensatory payment." Let the market go where it will. But pay the farmer the difference between market price and guaranteed price.

This would cost the government no more than the other plan—possibly less. It would please consumers by giving them cheaper pork. And it would make sure that farmers got the support price.

The Hope-Aiken law, according to some authorities, gives the department power to make such payments now as well as after January 1. But Secretary Brannan, because of some opposition to the plan, wants congress to rule on it again.

If congress grants the authority, and if it works with hogs next December, the plan might be extended to other perishables in 1950.

Department of Agriculture officials don't want to be caught with big supplies of perishables in storage. They'd rather support the market in other ways.

What about grain storage? Congress still hasn't given Commodity Credit Corporation authority to build more storage space. And many farmers—particularly wheat—want the government to take over grain under loan so they'll have some place to put the new crop.

Inside reports say Secretary of Agriculture Brannan will propose a program for the building of facilities by farmers, farm cooperatives and the private grain trade, with the government stepping in only in case of an emergency.

Some midwest congressmen are worried for fear nothing will be done in time to get set for next fall's storage problem.

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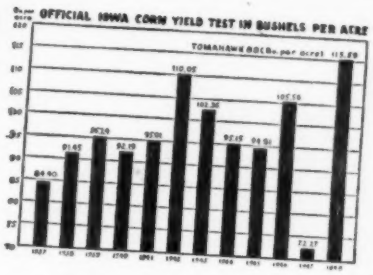

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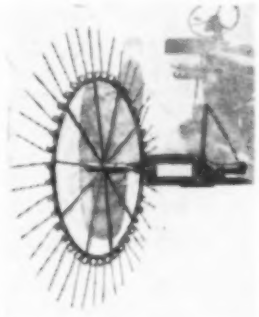

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Maybe you will want to try some of the ideas you read about in this column. If you do, go ahead. But, remember, in many cases you will be experimenting. In order to keep you posted on new developments in agricultural research, some projects are reported when they are still in the "testing" stage. When that happens, publication here is not to be taken as an unqualified recommendation.

More For Your Money In Fertilizer

The farmer's fertilizer dollar today buys just about as much plant food in the form of commercial fertilizer as it did in 1937.

According to a study by the Indiana state chemist, F. W. Quackenbush, the cost per pound of plant food has increased only from 0.065 cents to 0.076 cents since 1937. Back in 1920, the cost was 0.116 cents per pound of plant food.

Plant food per ton of fertilizer has gone up from 318 pounds in 1920 to 497 pounds in 1947.

USDA Recommends 'Hopper Killers

After three years of widespread field and laboratory tests, entomologists in the USDA are recommending both chlordane and toxaphene for grasshopper control this year.

Both chemicals are available in several forms. The rate of application suggested is one pound of technical chlordane or one and a half pounds of technical toxaphene per acre as a spray. Use one and a half pounds of chlordane or two pounds or toxaphene per acre when applying.

Cows in milk or animals intended for immediate slaughter should not be put on treated pastures until a few weeks after the treatment has been applied.

Entomologists are not so worried about harm to the animals as they are about harm to humans. Some of either of the spray materials could show up in the meat or milk of animals grazed on treated pastures.

Controlling Borers In Illinois

Corn borer populations of 10,000 to 40,000 an acre in the stalks at the end of the season now are common in Illinois.

In a recent bulletin, "Corn Borer Control In Field Corn," University of Illinois specialists list the control measures they think work best:

(1) Get rid of stalks in the proper way before May 10. This means clean plowing. (2) Plant at the right time—on fertile soil about mid-May. Avoid very late planting. (3) Use adapted hybrids.

By adapted hybrids, they mean those hybrids which possess resistance to, or tolerance of, borer attack, and which are also high yielders of good quality corn in your area.

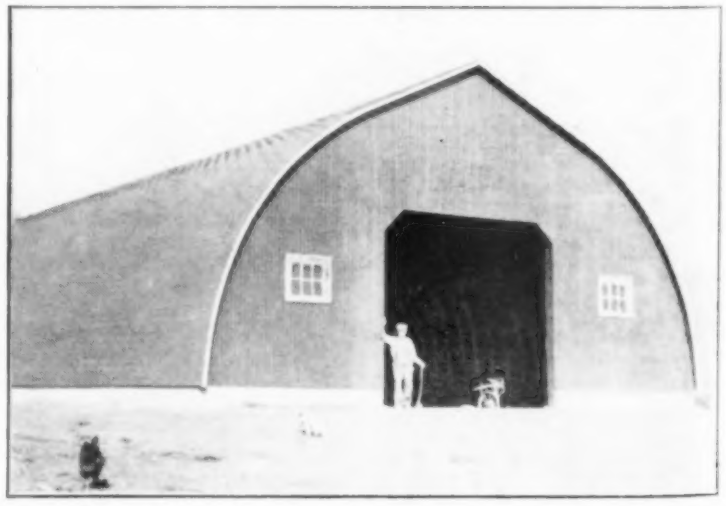
If insecticides are used, the University of Illinois men recommend DDT and Ryania as most effective.

Issue Warning About DDT On Cows

The National Agricultural Chemicals Association has issued a word of caution about applying DDT directly to milk cows until further information is available.

They indicate further research is needed to determine the safe level of DDT in milk and other foodstuffs. They also want more data on methods of applying DDT to stock, buildings, forage crops.

The NACA is working on a report which will cover the problems of residues left after spraying. The association represents many of the larger companies making agricultural chemicals.



There's Plenty of room in this new 40x80-foot machine shed built by Lester Ledvina, Tama county, Iowa. It is 23 feet high, has 15x15-foot doorway, stands on concrete foundation.

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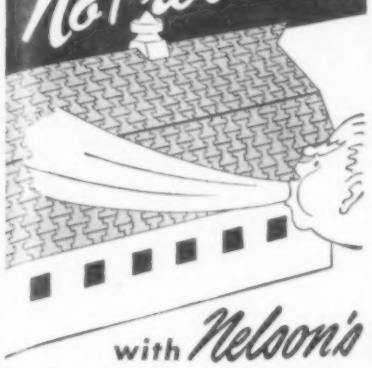

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New Wetting Agent For Sprays

Nytron is the name of a new wetting agent introduced by the Solvay Division of the Allied Chemical and Dye Corporation.

Laboratory tests indicate that Nytron will be useful in a wide variety of sprays.

It is soluble in hard or soft water, acid or alkali solutions, and with a wide variety of metallic salts. Its use is said to aid in the application and effectiveness of many insecticides and herbicides.

It improves wetting and spreading, helps prevent nozzle clogging, and improves suspension of DDT powders.

More Tests On New Type BHC

New benzene hexachloride products can be used on many crops without danger of odor or taste contamination.

This is reported by Dow Chemical Company after field tests of a new BHC formulation which is essentially pure (99 per cent) gamma isomer.

The lingering, unpleasant odor or taste has been one of the limiting factors of the first BHC formulas, which contained more beta and delta isomers.

BHC formulations made from 99 per cent pure gamma isomer may be used in sprays or dusts. They kill insects by contact, as a stomach poison and as a fumigant. Outstanding control is offered on aphids, grubs, wire-worms, grain weevils, ants and other pests.

Spraying Of Legumes Means More Seed

Spraying of clovers and alfalfa for seed production is important if the highest seed yields are to be obtained.

N. R. Aldrich, director of agricultural research for Keystone Equipment Company, says that farmers report increases of alfalfa of from one-half bushel to two bushels per acre.

Increases ranging from one to three bushels have been reported where red clover seed fields were sprayed.

Aldrich recommends a 50-50 mixture of DDT and chlordane, applied a week to 10 days before bloom, at the rate of one pound of technical DDT and one pound of technical chlordane in five to 10 gallons of water per acre.

Iowa Farmers Kill Weeds Fast With Twin Kill Weed Destroyer

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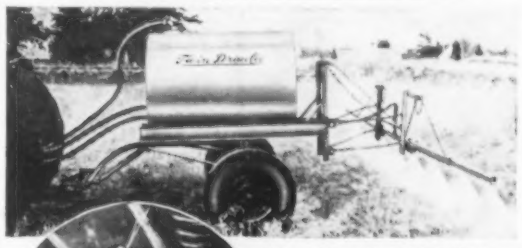
DDT for Corn Borers and Insects

Twin-Ezy Kill emulsifiable DDT is easy to spray and sticks to plants or insects. This 25% DDT formulation leads to Kill tests. It stays in suspension and goes through nozzles without clogging.

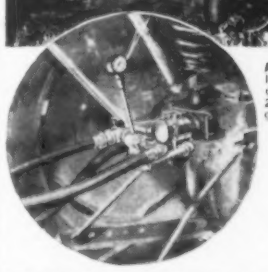
Chlordane for Grasshoppers

Twin-Ezy Kill chemicals for killing grasshoppers, spraying cattle or hogs are scientifically prepared.

Twin Draulic Sprayers



Above picture of Model **80-21** shows large capacity tank mounted on high clearance Trailer. Self powered. 23 ft. or 33 ft. boom with low gallonage nozzles.



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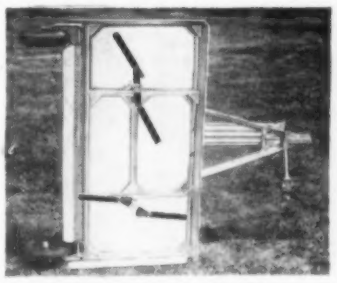

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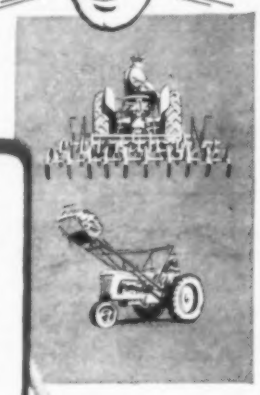

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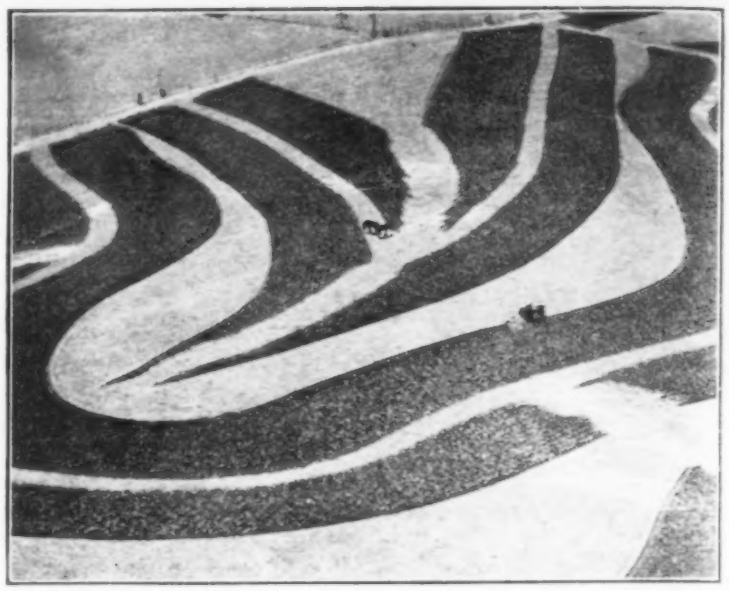

Sharp Turns are a problem in contouring. Best way to avoid them is to leave a turn strip along ridge, as in center of picture. If the sharp corners at left center were completed, you could not turn with the cultivator or picker without knocking corn down.

Start Conservation By Contouring

Results On Your Farm Will Make You A Booster For Farming Around The Hills

WHETHER you have long, gentle slopes, or short, steep ones, contouring is one of the first steps toward working out a good soil conservation program. It helps hold fertility, and boosts yields. It helps stop soil and water loss.

To the man who has never grown corn on the contour, it looks like a bad job. At first, it's hard to figure out just where the rows are going.

But, as one farmer said after he'd contoured for a few years: "I wouldn't give a man his dinner to help me contour. It's easy once you know how."

How do you get started? You can get advice and technical assistance from the Soil Conservation Service, tho the help of a skilled technician is not absolutely necessary.

Maybe a lot of your neighbors farm on the contour. They probably can help you lay the first lines. Working together, the SCS technicians have held training schools for township AAA program men as well as other farmers in a number of counties.

SCS trained men who are paid by AAA are available for help in contouring.

Right now, in Iowa, there are about 600 township AAA program men who can help establish soil conservation practices. Most of these have also had training in soil sampling for fertilizer tests. Probably another 200 men will be trained for both jobs before the planting season is over.

Equipment is simple and inexpensive. Actually, you can make an outfit from a small level, a pocket mirror, a clothespin and a couple of boards.

If you want to contour your row crops, you should plow and disk that way. And don't worry about short rows. You'll have some. But you may have plenty of real long rows to even things out.

Start just below the brow of the hill—about where you can just see the skyline over the hill.

Some farmers don't use lath to mark guide lines. They prefer old newspapers at each point on the contour. Pile a little dirt on them and you can plow them under and don't have to run ahead to get the lath out of the way.

The idea in making a contour line is to find a series of points, about 100 feet apart, which are on the same level around the hill.

The man with the target goes about 30 steps ahead of the man with the level. He moves up or down the hill until the target is at the same height as the level. Then that position is marked.

Then the man with the level goes on past the target and sights back until he is again level with the target. That point is marked. And on around the hill you go.

Extreme accuracy, such as is needed for a terrace, isn't necessary. But you shouldn't let the contour line sag, for that collects water in the low spot, allows it to break over the rows and wash down the hill.

Once the line is plowed, keep plowing until the slope changes. Then run a new guide line and work both ways from it. Fill in with short rows where necessary.

Two words of caution: Don't plant the end rows up and down the hill. The contoured rows dump water in them and you breed a gully in a hurry.

And leave good, wide waterways. Most of the water-ways you've seen are too narrow. Leave them plenty wide.

If you are contouring down a long hog-back, and the rows make a fairly sharp "V," leave a turn-row right down the top of the ridge. Leave it wide enough for a hay loader and rake. You can use it for a turn-row and for a lane.

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What happens if you look at a welding arc with your naked eye? N. J. Wardle, Iowa State College farm safety specialist, gives the answer in this true story.

"ED, WHAT'S the light out there in the kitchen?" Mary looked at the clock—it was 2 a. m.

"Likely one of the kids getting a drink," mumbled her husband.

They could hear the noise of glasses, then rummaging in a drawer and the tinkle of a spoon in a glass.

Mary called: "Is that you, Ted? What's wrong?"

"My right eye is stinging," Ted replied. "I'm washing it out with salt-water."

"Wait, Ted, don't!" Mary jumped from the bed, grabbed a robe and ran to the kitchen. "Don't ever use salt in your eyes."

Ten-year-old Teddy was perplexed. "Then what should I use? My eye hurts something awful!"

Mary looked at Ted's eyes. The skin on the right side of his face appeared sunburned, but the eye itself looked natural.

"What have you been doing? How did you get this sunburn?"

"I wasn't out in the sun. All I did was help Dad in the shop with that welding." Ted held his head and moaned with pain.

"I'll call the doctor; maybe he'll know what to do." Mary got Doc Jones on the phone.

Did the eye pain as if there were sand in it? Ted agreed it did. It was the welding, all right, the doctor decided. Ted admitted he had "peeked" at the arc several times.

Bathe Ted's eyes with a weak solution of boric acid for that night, the doctor instructed. Tomorrow Mary could get a two per cent butyn solution at the drug store and put a drop in each eye every two to four hours.

Many of you have arc welding outfits now. More farmers are getting them every day. It will pay to remember this: Don't work around the welder without a proper eye shield. The glass should be at least a No. 10 shade.

The arc's light causes a particularly pernicious injury because you don't notice the pain until several hours later. Anyone who has looked at the arc usually is awakened in the night by a burning of the eyes — "sand in the eyes."

Your whole body should be well protected by clothing, too. "Sunburn" from a welding arc can be very painful.

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Is He better off in a big school or a small one? That's what most folks are discussing in "Voice of the Farm" in this issue. But DeWitt Harker, Boone county, Iowa, has his own worries—homework.

Voice of the Farm

Wants Help For Small Schools

To the Editor: Where a community has enough pupils to hold a rural school, they should be helped in any way to hold it and secure good teachers.

The complete passing of the one-room school will come. But let's not get too much centralized control in the hands of people who don't know the farmer's problems. —Mrs. Ellis Miller, Henry County, Iowa.

Local control is a "must."—Editor.

Landlord Complains About Tenant

To the Editor: There may be some poor landlords, but just let me tell you of some tenants:

My farm is a good one, and all buildings except the house are less than five years old. My tenant has done everything anyone can think of—starved the cattle, failed to farm the land, tried to burn the manure, tried to handle another job. I farm on a 50-50 basis, so you can feature the result.

No, all tenants are not like him, so I'm taking another chance.—Ginger, Minnesota.

Better luck this time! — Editor.

Doesn't Want Horse And Buggy Days

To the Editor: Why don't people like the new school program?

Let's give our children a much better chance than we had. I feel sure the increase in taxes will well pay for itself. It will not only give our young people greater benefits, but we tax-payers also.

Very few young people get the opportunity to go to college. The streamlining of our present high schools will bring pupils to graduation prepared to support themselves without more schooling.

Let's forget the money. That will work itself out. Let's go ahead—not slip back to horse and buggy days.—R. E. Nelson, Delaware County, Iowa.

Which is more important: The quality of education or its cost?—Editor.

Wants Landlord-Tenant "Rating Bureau"

To the Editor: I think it too bad that landlords and tenants can not make reports on their business relationships to some bureau, so that prospective tenants and landlords could get the low-down on each other before signing on the dotted line.—N. R., Linn County, Iowa.

Why not just ask their neighbors?—Editor.

Likes Little Red Schoolhouse

To the Editor: It's a 10-mile ride to our school. We meet the bus a mile from the gravel. In the morning, there's no certain time—any time it gets there.

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Is "plain" schooling good enough these days?—Editor.

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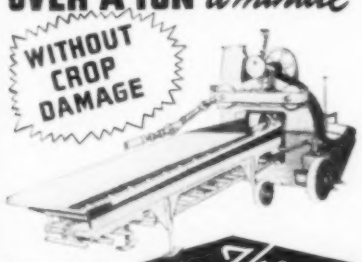

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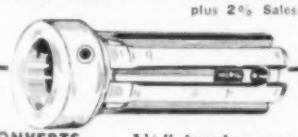

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Why Not Inspect Canned Goods?

To the Editor: While we were enjoying our Sunday dinner of spinach, potatoes and pork chops, one of the children found a large green caterpillar on his plate.

As you can imagine, we are thru with canned spinach for good.

Why don't they inspect vegetables that are being canned? Don't farmers have to dump their cream if someone finds one tiny little hair in it?—Mrs. Peter Rozeboom, Sioux County, Iowa.

Most canners do a good job of inspection. Looks like you bought the wrong brand.—Editor.

Where Are City Hunters Now?

To the Editor: Since I hauled manure recently, a flock of about 40 pheasants has come here to pick up the waste feed.

It makes me wonder what happened to all the city hunters that stormed our fields last fall. How many of them said, "Here, Mister, is a dollar; throw out a bushel of corn for me next winter when the pheasants can't get anything to eat"?—Paul Jarehow, Fayette County, Iowa.

If hunters did that, they'd probably find farmers a lot more friendly toward them.—Editor.

Far-Away School Cuts Activities

To the Editor: I am opposed to centralizing of high schools because an adolescent child needs both home life and a completely rounded out education, including scholastic, social, arts and sports activities.

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4. Go to boarding school, at the expense of home life and college.

Result: An uneducated, undeveloped, half-person. — Mrs. James O'Connor, Clinton County, Iowa.

What about afternoon practice sessions?—Editor.

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Farm News Briefs

BETTER 1948 CROPS in most countries, and good prospects for 1949, have taken part of the edge off post-war food problems. But a third of a billion people still live under bread-rationing.

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NET FARM INCOME in the U. S. dropped last year for the first time in 10 years. Net income in 1948 was 2 per cent under 1947—due mostly to an increase in production expenses.

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FARM REAL ESTATE debts went up again in 1948. U. S. farm mortgage debt now is about five billion dollars, highest since 1944, and about half a billion more than the low point in 1946.

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PRODUCTION CREDIT associations which paid dividends to members on capital stock last year include two in Iowa—the PCA's at Harlan and Perry.

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IOWA SHEEP and Wool Growers Cooperative has re-elected President LeRoy Getting, O'Brien county, Vice-President Don Pullin of Black Hawk county, and Secretary-Treasurer A. J. Marken of Franklin county. M. Glen Birlingmair, Des Moines, is manager.

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IOWA'S Mrs. Raymond Sayre, of Warren county, is on her way to Germany on a mission for the army. Mrs. Sayre, who is president of the Associated Women of the American Farm Bureau, will help develop organizations of German farm women.

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PARITY RATIO for Iowa farmers dropped to 99 last month—the first time it's been under 100 since 1941. Index of prices received by farmers dropped 15 points, to 261 (1909-1914 equals 100). But prices paid for things farmers buy went down only 12 points.

GRESS ROGERS, extension director in Marion county, Iowa, will move to Tama county, May 1. He'll replace Burns Byram, resigned.

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MT. AYR and Newton chapters are winners of the 1949 Iowa FFA soil conservation contest. Each chapter will get a new Ford tractor equipped with plow, disk, scoop, field cultivator and blade.

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LIVESTOCK DEATHS as a result of winter storms in South Dakota, Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado add up to 81,000 cattle and 97,000 sheep and lambs, reports the U. S. Department of Agriculture. That's about 2 per cent of the cattle and 5 per cent of sheep on hand in those states January 1.

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GENETICS RESEARCH at Iowa State College gets another $18,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation — making a total of $78,000 received for this purpose. The money is being used to study the connection between inheritance and disease resistance, and the meaning of "hybrid vigor" and how it works.

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THREE IOWA rural electric co-ops have been given new REA loans to extend their lines. The Calhoun county co-op will add 131 new users, the co-op in Hardin county will add 162, and Woodbury's co-op will take on 476.

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KERMIT HANSON, Iowa soil supervisor for Soil Conservation Service for the past three years, has been transferred to St. Paul, where he will serve as Minnesota state soil scientist for SCS.

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COMING EVENTS: March 18-19, Minnesota State Spring Farrow Show, Albert Lea; April 21-23, Iowa FFA convention, Cedar Rapids.

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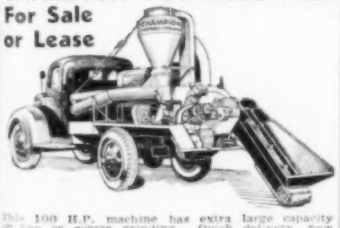

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This giant white clover has not been recommended for general planting in Iowa because it is touchy on several points.

Main drawback of ladino, says H. D. Hughes, of Iowa State College, is that it is shallow-rooted, so suffers whenever moisture is short or summer temperatures are unusually high. Hughes thinks the legume will have its greatest use in the northeast Iowa dairy area.

Careful management is required, even where ladino is used as a pasture crop. It can't stand close grazing—should never be grazed closer than three or four inches.

And it's apt to cause bloat unless at least 40 per cent of your pasture mixture is grass.

But ladino is a high producer if it's on good soil, gets plenty of moisture, and is managed right. It is extremely aggressive, spreads rapidly, and usually rates a high preference with livestock.

Hughes says ladino grows best on a sweet soil, and responds to phosphate and (on many soils) to potash. It's well suited for heavy soils that drain slowly, where alfalfa and clovers have a tendency to heave.

These seeding suggestions are made by Hughes: Add one to two pounds of ladino seed per acre to your regular clover-grass mixture seeded in oats. It will show its best stand the second year, when alfalfa and red clover begin to thin out. That's the time to start pasturing it.

Ladino is hard to cut and cure, so only the first year's crop is practical for hay. And it doesn't do well with sod-forming grasses such as blue grass.

Since it's difficult to tell the difference between ladino and ordinary white clover seed, Hughes suggests that you buy only certified seed.

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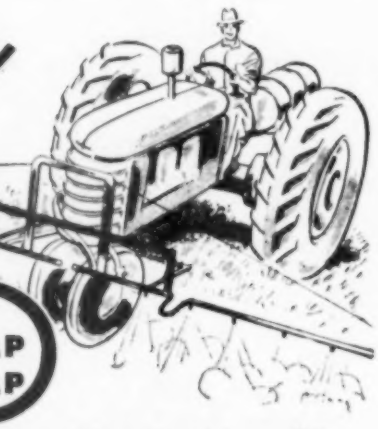

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To the Editor: I have been hearing a lot lately about urea. What is it? Is it a good protein supplement? How much should you feed?—M. L., Winnebago, County, Iowa.

Strictly speaking, urea is not a protein supplement at all. It is a synthetic nitrogen compound from which bacteria in the stomachs of ruminants (cattle, sheep, goats) can manufacture protein.

In other words, when you use urea in livestock feed, you aren't actually feeding the animals themselves. You are feeding bacteria which, in turn, manufacture protein which the animals can use.

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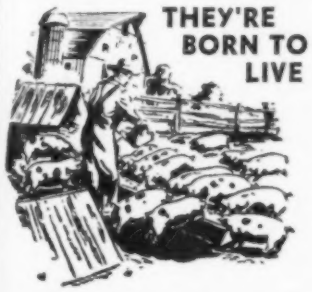

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Vaccinate Hogs For Mixed Infection

To the Editor: What is the difference between mixed infection in hogs and swine erysipelas? — L. T., Jefferson County, Iowa.

Mixed infection is caused by a mixture of germs. A barn lot or any place where stock has been kept for a long time may harbor the germs. Mixed infection lowers vitality.

Infected hogs then often fall victims to bowel disorders and sometimes pneumonia when the weather is cold and wet.

Erysipelas is caused by a specific germ. It also lives in soil where there is much organic matter. It may cause death in young pigs. Or it may show up as a chronic disease that does not kill but causes skin sloughs and lameness.

Mastitis Germs Like Dirty Barns

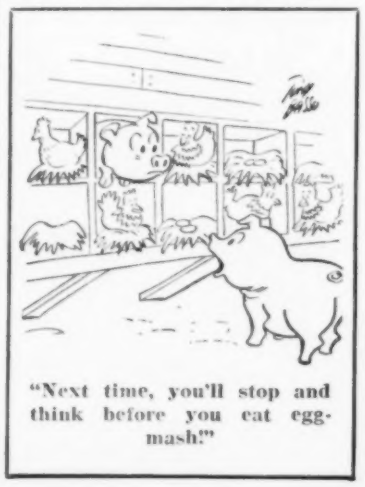
Ten to 15 different types of organisms have been found to cause mastitis. And some of them can be found in filth and manure on any Iowa farm—ready to give the disease a start if they get into an injured udder.

That's what Dr. John B. Herrick, dairy veterinarian at Iowa State College, has been telling Iowa dairymen at Better Milking Clinics this winter.

In a recent issue (February 19), Doctor Herrick was misquoted as saying that the several mastitis-causing organisms actually may be found in the udders of undiseased cows—where they lie in wait until an injury occurs.

Presence of some kinds of mastitis germs in all dirt and manure is the reason Doctor Herrick says: "Sanitation is a prime essential in the control and prevention of mastitis. Treatment alone will not do the job."

The veterinarian reminds dairy farmers that there is no "shotgun" treatment for mastitis. "Penicillin will work on some types of mastitis and not on others," he says. "That is why a laboratory examination of the infected quarter is necessary to determine the type of organism we are dealing with so we know what drug to use."



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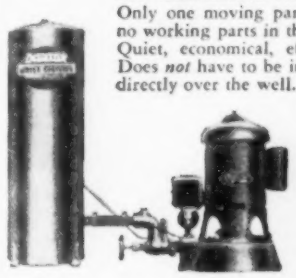

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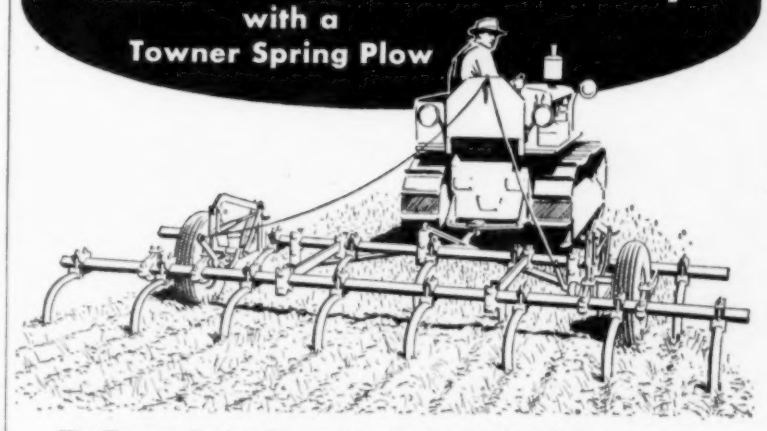

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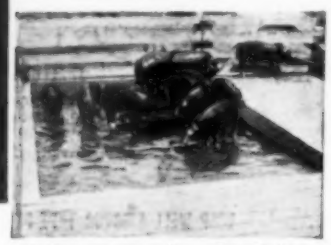

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To the Editor: I bought some steers that weigh about 450 to 500 pounds, and plan to feed them about 250 days. How much corn and hay will it take per steer to feed them that length of time?—W. C., Scott County, Iowa.

Here are some average rations for fattening steers to be fed 200 days or longer. These rations are from Morrison's "Feeds and Feeding."

1. Red clover hay, 4 to 5 pounds; corn, 11 pounds; protein supplement, 1 pound.

2. Clover and timothy hay (30 per cent or more clover), 4 to 5 pounds; corn, 11 pounds; protein supplement, 1½ pounds.

3. Alfalfa hay, 4 to 5 pounds; corn, 11 pounds; protein supplement, ½ to ¾ pound.

These are average rations, and some adjustment will have to be made during the feeding period. Rex Beresford, of Iowa State College, says that about two pounds a day of corn for each 100 pounds of steer is an average full feed. But the rations above will give you a fair idea of the amount of feed needed.

Corn Fodder Will Make Silage

To the Editor: I have fed up all my silage, but have about five acres of shocked corn fodder. The cows don't like the dry chopped fodder very well. Now I have been thinking of blowing it into my silo, adding water, and making silage from it. Will this work?—R. W., Cerro Gordo County, Iowa.

Yes, you can make silage from your dry corn fodder. There are three things to look out for—chop it fine, add lots of water, and tramp it down well.

Experiment stations say that silage should contain 25 to 40 per cent dry matter, or about one part dry matter to two parts moisture. If your corn fodder contains about 20 per cent moisture now, you would blow in 1,600 pounds of dry matter and 400 pounds of water in each ton of fodder.

To bring the moisture up to 60 per cent, you would have to add 2,800 pounds, or about 348 gallons, of water per ton of fodder.

As an alternative, you might consider just chopping the fodder, and, to improve its palatability, you could pour over it some molasses when feeding to make the stuff taste better.

Treat Flax Seed, Sow Early

You'll have more luck with flax this year if you follow these tips:

Treat seed with New Improved Ceresan or Ceresan M at least 48 hours before sowing. Iowa tests show treatment has boosted flax yields an average of about five bushels an acre.

Seed early. Best time, says Iowa State College, is at oat-sowing time—or as early as the soil can be worked.

Make a firm seed-bed. It helps to pack before seeding, using a press drill, and pack again after seeding unless blowing is a problem. Says Iowa State College:

"It is doubtful whether any Iowa farmer will ever prepare a seed-bed which will be too firm for flax or the clover or alfalfa which may be seeded with it."

Feed Calves Right To Avoid Scours

You'll have less trouble from calf scours and other digestive upsets if you follow these feeding tips from the University of Illinois:

Never feed a calf too much milk. Hold the daily quota down to 10 per cent of the calf's weight.

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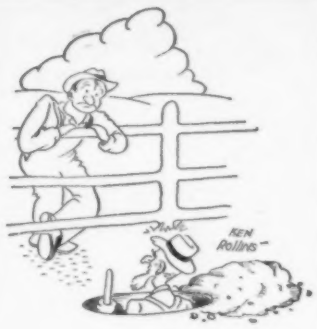

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High Profits From Brome Seed Crop

Shortage of brome grass seed means that farmers with the know-how can make good returns by producing it.

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Nitrogen is of top importance in brome grass seed production. Hawks says an extra 10 pounds of seed can be harvested for every pound of nitrogen applied. Nitrogen application should never be less than 40 pounds per acre, and often should be as heavy as 100 pounds.

Brome seeded alone in rows and fertilized in late October gives the best results, according to Hawk.

One drawback, he says, is that harvest methods are behind the times. Best method still is binding, shocking and threshing.

Hogs Gain Faster With APF

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Several commercial companies have learned to make APF synthetically and pilot plants are now in operation.

While APF adds a hiterto missing factor to livestock rations containing only vegetable proteins, Dr. Damon Catron, of Iowa State College, does not think that it will replace animal proteins entirely.

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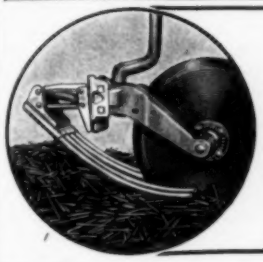

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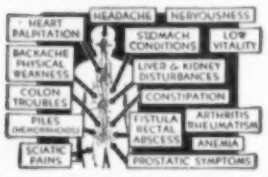

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Hurry Garden With Cold Frame

If You Don't Want To Buy Started Plants Here's How You Can Grow Them At Home

IT ISN'T too late to do something about hurrying things along in the garden. One way is to buy started plants from greenhouse owners or hot-bed gardeners. It certainly will not pay the average small gardener to bother making a hot-bed to start a few plants for his own use.

But a cold-frame is a good substitute. It requires much less work and is quite foolproof.

The cold frame is just what the name implies. Unlike a hot-bed, the cold-frame uses no artificial heat. It depends on sunshine alone to get things started.

The south side of a shed, garage or other building is an ideal location if there will be all-day sunshine on the cold frame.

If such a spot is not available, almost any sunny place can be warmed by making a tight board backstop three feet high and well nailed to firmly-driven stakes. This, of course, to serve as the north side of the cold-frame.

One or two storm windows can then be removed from the warmest side of the house. These windows — and the family garden needs—will determine the size of the frame of boards you need to support the sash.

The north side of the frame should be a foot or so higher than the south side. This will give slope to the windows, which should be at least six or eight inches above the seed-bed.

Sash should fit snugly to keep out cold air. Should there come a frosty night, some canvas covering over all will give the necessary protection.

Extra good garden soil should be provided. Add some sand and finely pulverized peat moss to the soil to make it rich, responsive and readily handled without becoming unduly packed.

Mix the soil in a wheel-barrow or mortar-box, then shake thru a sand or gravel screen to insure a uniform, easily-handled soil.

After soil is placed in the frame, it can be leveled and firmed with a board. Straight rows for planting can easily and quickly be made with the straight edge of a thin board.

Tomatoes, pepper and similar seeds germinate slowly and should be started at once—in March. There's not quite so much hurry about cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli and head lettuce. Their seeds germinate easily and quickly, and are ready for open-garden planting in about half the time required for the first group of plants.

Seeds should be carefully planted, spaced and covered by hand. It is easy to get them too thick, which means the seedlings will have to grow upward and spindling instead of making the stocky plants we like for transplanting.

When only a few plants are needed, two or more varieties may be planted in a single row. Little stakes of smooth pine should be used for the name of each variety.

Some of the seeds in the package should be saved for later plantings in the open garden.

Seeds should have ample moisture. And it is surprising how much water will be needed if the weather is favorable for growth.

For the first few days, the newly planted seeds can be covered with burlap or paper, to retard evaporation. Remove paper or burlap as soon as plants are breaking thru the ground.

Light, careful stirring of the soil may begin as soon as plants are showing. As plants near the transplanting stage, the glass may be removed during warm afternoons. Strong plants should soon be ready to help the gardener make up for any seasonal delays.—Victor Felter, Warren County, Iowa.

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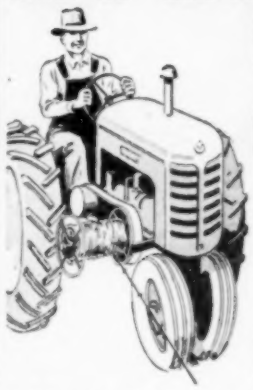

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How Much Chlordane For 'Hoppers?

To the Editor: Have you any information about 45 per cent chlordane for the control of grasshoppers? Is one quart of chlordane mixed with eight gallons of water per acre enough?—O. H., McLean County, Illinois.

One quart of chlordane emulsifiable concentrate at 45 per cent strength by weight contains one pound of actual chlordane. For grasshoppers, apply from one-half to one pound of actual chlordane per acre, regardless of the amount of water used.

So if your sprayer is set to put on eight gallons per acre, mix one quart of the 45 per cent chlordane to put on one pound of actual chlordane per acre. One pint in eight gallons would put on one-half pound of actual chlordane.

Aluminum Good—If Used Right

Aluminum makes a satisfactory roofing and siding material for farm buildings—if it's properly used.

That's the report of Alvin Dale and Henry Giese, Iowa State College agricultural engineers.

They list these advantages for the light metal: It's long-lasting and requires no paint. It has good insulating qualities—is somewhat cooler in summer than most roofing materials.

But, say the engineers, aluminum may give poor service if not properly installed.

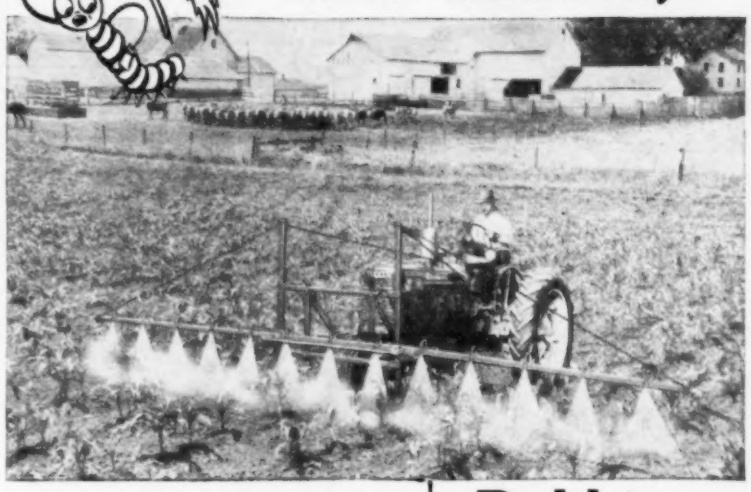
Brace buildings properly from within and use plenty of sheathing under the aluminum — the metal itself hasn't much strength.

Use plenty of nails. And be sure they are screw or ring-shank aluminum nails — preferably with synthetic rubber washers. They should be at least an inch and a half long. Bend and nail down over gable ends of roof.

Don't apply aluminum over old roofs or shingles. Start roofing and siding away from prevailing wind, so wind can't get under the laps. Give sheets ample overlap.

Aluminum will corrode thru contact with fertilizers, alkalis (including wet concrete), livestock manure and urine, copper and ungalvanized steel.

Bad News for Weeds and insects!



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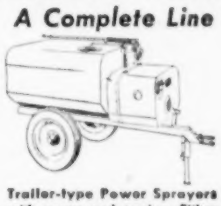

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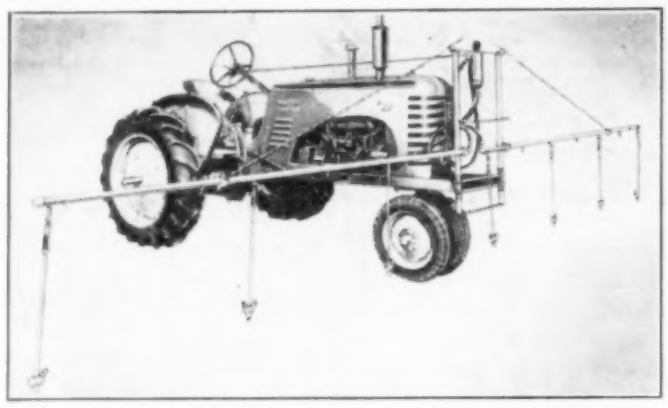
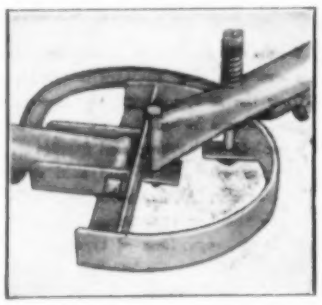
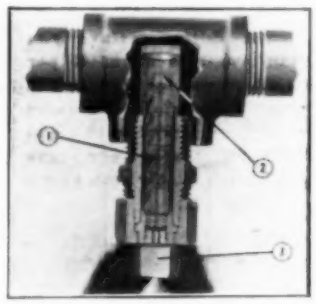


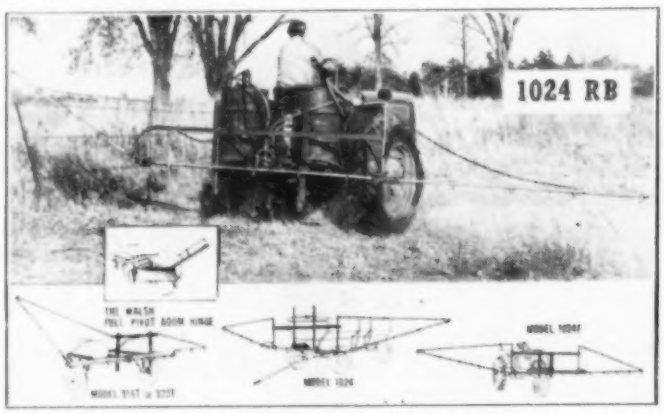
Front-Mounted sprayer is low-pressure, low-gallonage type, and is adapted to fit any type of tractor. Gear pump attaches to power take-off shaft. This is made by Massey-Harris. They also make a trailer model with the same features.



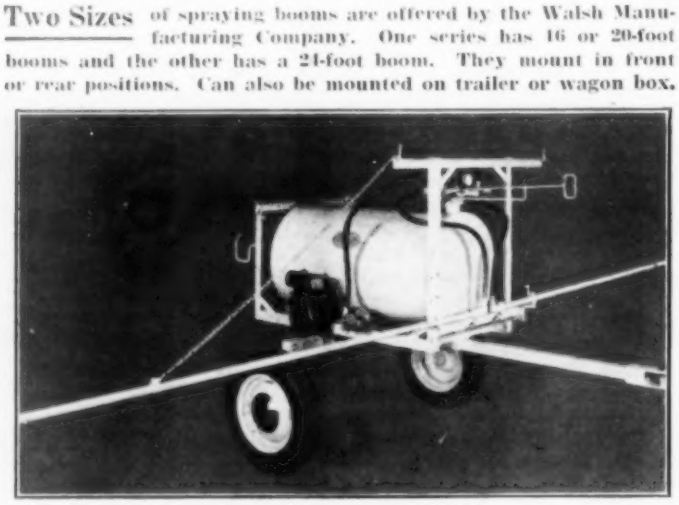
New Hinge allows sprayer boom to break up, backward and forward. Engineered to support itself in all positions. Farm gates, fences, land contours are easily managed with this boom hinge. The hinge is on sprayers made by the Belmer Mfg. Company.



Nozzle has three points for clog prevention: (1) Double sized screen; (2) screen is set deep in boom so it is constantly washed by flow of liquid, and (3) provision is made for easy alignment with boom. Fargo sprayer is manufactured by F. H. Peavy & Co.



Two Sizes of spraying booms are offered by the Walsh Manufacturing Company. One series has 16 or 20-foot booms and the other has a 24-foot boom. They mount in front or rear positions. Can also be mounted on trailer or wagon box.



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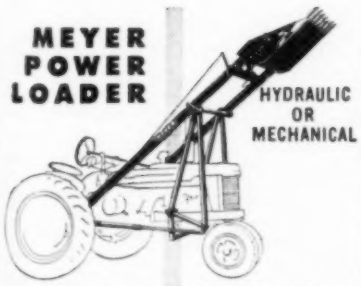

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TWO men, one in Guthrie and one in Madison county, Iowa, expressed almost identical ideas in the same words when I visited their farms.

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WE WERE talking about pasture improvement. Jay Steele, in Madison, had explained that, where the land was fit, a year of corn every six years helped break up sod for reseeding.

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HE POINTED to a 10-acre field where he had harvested 1,550 bushels of corn. "Right there, I got three normal crops of corn, so one year in six is going to average out all right," he said.

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THE Guthrie county man, W. C. Grow, had a yield contest record of 165.8 bushels on a similar field. He almost used Steele's words to point out that if one year of corn in six gives as much as three ordinary years of corn on a similar soil, the long rotation is better.

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IT MAY involve some shifts in livestock practices to make use of the extra roughage. Even if you keep on growing as much corn, hogs can't eat hay and pasture like cattle or sheep.

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NO MATTER how hard I work on the details, seems like I always fail to give full credit on the write-ups of Master Farmers. For example, I was at Maynard Menefee's just before the DHIA averages for 1948 were out. So I wrote that his herd averaged 355 pounds of fat; now the new DHIA average is 430 pounds of fat, with two cows well over 500 pounds.

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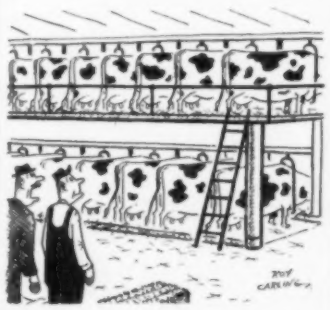
BY THE way, if you want a nomination blank for a 1949 Iowa Master Farmer candidate, send us a card. It's time to start on nominations for next year. — W. D. Inman.



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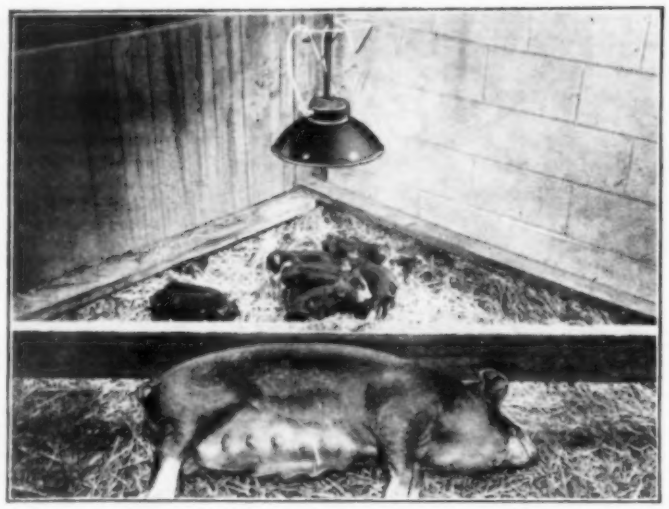
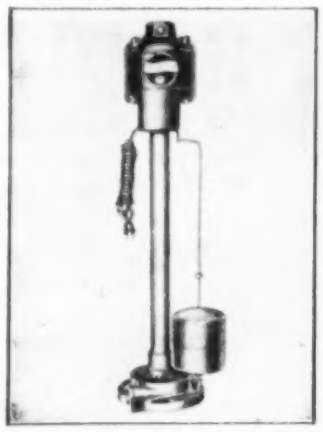


New Heater for pigs or chicks has no light bulb to break. Heavy duty lava-coated generator gives off both heat and infra-red rays. Is suitable for chicks where the use of a hover is impractical. Can also be used for other heating jobs around the home. No special installations are required, as the heater hangs from the ceiling and the height from floor is easily adjusted. Manufactured by the Dry Clime Lamp Corporation.



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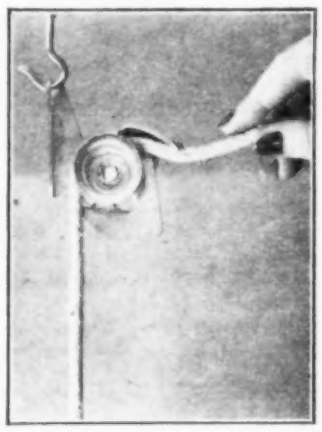

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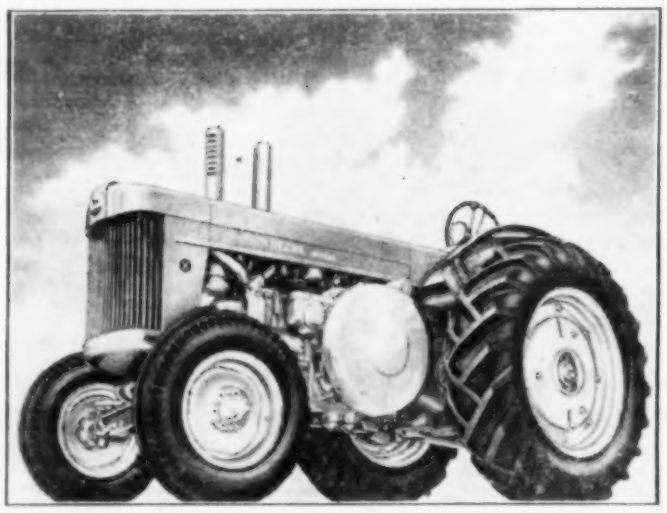

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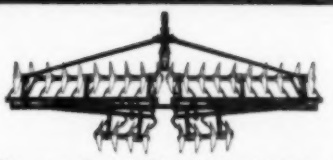

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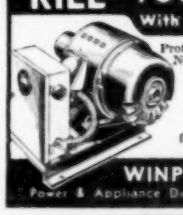

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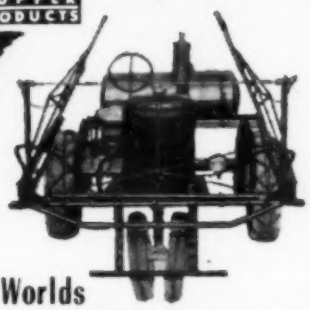

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FARM prices, Kutish says, have been higher than we could explain by past periods of full employment. At least a part of the recent farm price weaknesses seem caused by prices getting back toward more normal relationships.

Also, crops were good last year. This took a lot of the pressure off. A readjustment was bound to come.

But such a readjustment in farm prices, Kutish explains, is far different from a general slowing in economic activity. Apparently, farm prices are getting more in line with 1926 and 1941-42—years of full employment not unduly influenced by war-time shortages.

Even tho no bust is in sight, profit margins are going to be narrower. So Kutish maintains we'll have to pay more attention to holding down costs.

Here's how the ISC economist sizes up farm price prospects:

HOG slaughter during the six months beginning in about April will show a sharp gain over last year. The fall pig crop was up. And around 10 per cent more packing sows will roll to market this summer. With plenty of feed, it probably will pay to push hogs for an early market. That means feeding balanced rations.

OIL-SEED meal prices are lower than a couple of months ago. This puts further emphasis on "generous" feeding to take advantage of favorable livestock feeding relationships. Corn may be the cheapest feed on your farm, but it still pays to balance it with proper amounts of protein feeds.

POULTRY should net more profit during the first half of the year than a year ago. But more chicks this spring will mean a big boost in egg supplies next fall—with weaker prices. This is not the time to go overboard in expanding your poultry flock.

TURKEY growers should guard against going "whole hog" in expanding. The urge will be great because profits were good last year. But turkey prices probably will be sharply lower next fall as more birds go to market.

SHEEP numbers have shrunk to the lowest level on record. And the 1949 lamb crop probably will drop another two million head below 1948. The reason: Fewer breeding ewes on hand and fewer lambs saved because of the severe winter on the range.

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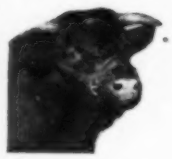

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The Iowa State Aberdeen Angus Breeders Association show and sale, at Des Moines, Iowa, March 8 and 9, registered a real comeback. Garold L. Parks, secretary, deserves much credit for his hard work and faithful efforts. Cattlemen were present from many states, covering a wide section. The awards were ably made by Robert Green, Oaktown, Ind., and B. A. Rucker., Jr., Charlottesville, Va. The champion bull in the open class was Eric Zaromar, from the Fleck & Vander Werff herd, Sully, Iowa, and sold for $1,250 to F. L. & C. N. Senter, Nevada, Iowa. The reserve champion of the open class was Eric's Blackcap Heir E. L. 2d, shown by Earl F. Lohr, Earlham, Iowa, and sold for $1,100 to J. K. Rodgers & Son, Hamilton, Iowa. The futurity champion bull was Eric's Blue Boy E. L., owned by Earl F. Lohr, and sold for $925 to Robt. E. Sanders, Lineville, Iowa. The reserve champion futurity bull topped the bull sale. He was Bandolier M. E. 2d, from the M. E. Rhodes & Son farm, at Scranton, Iowa, and went at $1,575 to Fred Husahak, Clutier, Iowa. Blackcap Bardolier B., from El-Jon Farm, Rose Hill, Iowa, sold for $1,185 to Z. R. Spaur, Pleasantville, Iowa. Revelation B. A. S., owned by Bell & Sons, Osceola, Iowa, sold for $1,075 to Mallory & Mallory, Hampton, Iowa. Eston of Glencarnock, shown by Harold E. Eiler, Tipton, Iowa, sold for $1,050 to Leroy James, Watertown, Wis. Bandolier 244th of Wilton, from the Otto G. Nobis herd, sold for $1,020 to John Williams, Odebolt, Iowa. The champion female in the open class was Elga Erica Baress 2d, from the Hopley Farms, Atlantic, Iowa, and sold for $1,000 to Silver Top Farms, Belton, Mo. Reserve champion was Queen of ElO, owned by Wallace & Sons, Churdan, Iowa, and sold for $550 to Bell & Son, Osceola, Iowa. Blackcap Bessie 47th, owned by Mallory & Mallory, Hampton, Iowa, sold on order for $1,175 to Myron Fuerst, Pine Plains, N. Y. The futurity champion was Blackbird Lassie of Galva 21st, from Enoch & Bob Johnson, Galva, Iowa, and topped the sale at $2,100, going to Walter Ferguson, Cheyenne, Wyo. The reserve futurity was Zara of Walnut 6th, shown by P. K. Pratt, Walnut, Iowa. She was the favorite of many, and sold for $1,425, to Johnson Bros., Ida Grove, Iowa. Bessie Queen of Walnut, another Pratt entry, sold for $1,025 to Layton Angus Farm, Walnut, Iowa. Queen Ann L. 9th, from the Lazear Farm, Chariton, Iowa, sold for $1,250 to Robt. Green, Oaktown, Ind. Cattle went to buyers in 10 states, with Iowa buyers taking 121 lots. They were distributed as follows: Iowa 121, Wisconsin 2, Wyoming 9, Nebraska 6, Minnesota 4, Missouri 2, Indiana 1, Oklahoma 1, Arkansas 1 and New York 1. The 63 bulls averaged $587.50, with 85 females at $400 each, and the 148 lots sold for $70,990, a general average of $479.60 each. Auctioneers Johnston and Sims.

The seventh annual Angus sale of Penney & James, Hamilton, Mo., March 1, brought out a large crowd from all sections of the United States. The top of the sale was the bull, Homeplace Elleenmere 8th, a son of Elleenmere 487th, and sold for $7,350 to Edward E. Parsan, of Fayette, Idaho. The top female was Homeplace Burgess 4th, a daughter of Elleenmere 487th, and bred to Elleenmere 999th. She sold for $4,500 to John Warin, of Marycrest Farm, Maloy, Iowa. Homeplace Bumburgess sold for $2,500 to A. W. Lambert, Yuma, Colo. Homeplace Ida went to Oakridge Farm, Columbia, Mo., at $2,550. Homeplace Queen Mother 8th sold for $2,550 to Oakridge Farm. Blackbird Lady 180th sold for $2,000 to Woodbar Farm, Rockton, Ill. The nine bulls sired by Elleenmere 487th averaged $2,283 each; 17 daughters averaged $1,695; 12 bred to him averaged $1,354, and 38 head of his get or carrying his service averaged $1,727. The entire lot of 11 bulls averaged $1,977, with 49 females at $1,243 each and 60 lots at a general average of $1,378. The cattle went to buyers in 11 states, distributed as follows: Iowa 8, Missouri 17, California 14, Illinois 7, Kansas 4, Colorado 3, Ohio 2, Nebraska 2, Oklahoma 1, Wyoming 1 and Idaho 1.

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Apr. 26—Iowa Southern Angus Sale, at Osceola, Iowa; Richard Bell, Secy. and Mgr., Osceola, Ia.
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Apr. 28—Maryerest Farms, Maloy, Iowa.
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May 9—Dr. Frank H. Rose, Albany, Mo., and W. P. McCrea, Maryville, Mo.; sale at Maryville.
Apr. 27—Hoelscher Bros., Arcadia, Iowa; sale at Denison, Iowa.
May 31—Tallcorn Breeders Assn., Marshalltown, Iowa; C. G. Mason, Secy., Box 243.
June 6—Glyn Mawr Farms (Dispersion), Olin, Iowa.
June 7—I. E. Kemp, Marion, Iowa.
June 13—Wayland A. Hopley, Atlantic, Iowa.
June 14—South-Central Assn., Oskaloosa, Iowa; Clyde A. Hanna, Secy., Oskaloosa, Iowa.

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Mar. 22—Sioux City, Iowa; Iowa Hereford Cattle Breeders Assn.; F. W. Ketelsen, Secy., Everly, Iowa.
Apr. 4—Clifford Bell, Jr., Pulaski, Iowa; sale at Bloomfield, Iowa.
Apr. 15—Northeast Missouri Assn., Memphis, Mo.; Geo. E. Leslie, Jr., Secy.
Apr. 22—Circle A Hereford Farms, Morris, Ill.
Apr. 23—Wisconsin State Sale, Madison, Wis.; Homer Graber, Secy., Mineral Point, Wis.
Apr. 25—Midiowa Hereford Assn., Liscomb, Iowa; Mrs. Harold J. Peterson, Secy., Liscomb, Iowa.
June 1—Bones Stock Farm, Parker, S. D.

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Apr. 2—Illinois Polled Hereford Assn., Springfield, Ill.; Ernest Painter, Secy., La Harpe, Ill.
Apr. 13—Southeastern Iowa Breeders Show and Sale, Oskaloosa, Iowa; Calvin L. Cruzen, Mgr., New Sharon, Iowa.

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Mar. 24—Emory Larson (Dispersion), Harlan, Iowa, with draft from Gingery & Burns, Harlan, Iowa, and Herman Leiting, Arcadia, Iowa; sale at Carroll, Iowa.
Mar. 28—Northwest Missouri Breeders, Maryville, Mo.; James Meyer, Sale Mgr.
Mar. 29—Sioux Empire Shorthorn Club, Sioux Falls, S. D.; Al Halverson, Secy., Box 841, Sioux Falls, S. D.
Apr. 4—Southwest Iowa Breeders, Red Oak, Iowa; Reg Gilman, Mgr., Stuart, Iowa.
Apr. 30—Marelthar Frms, Libertyville, Ill.
May 23—South-Central Iowa Breeders, Knoxville, Iowa; Walter Brown, Mgr.
June 4—Minnesota State Sale, Blue Earth, Minn.; N. T. Findahl, Mgr., Waterville, Minn.
June 6—Evelyn Farm, Wilson, Ill.
June 7—Chicagoland Sale, Chicago, Ill.; Hal Langley, Mgr.
June 17—Breeders Sale, Abingdon, Ill.; Hal Langley, Mgr., 16 S. Locust St., Aurora, Ill.

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Apr. 27—South Dakota State Assn. Sale, Sioux Falls, S. D.; Eric H. Thormodsgaard, Sale Mgr., Huron, S. D.
Apr. 28—Julius Hansen (Dispersion), Murdock, Minn.; Mery F. Aegerter, Mgr., Seward, Neb.
May 23—National Congress Show and Sale, Indianapolis, Ind.
May 25—Polled Shorthorn Club of Minnesota, Slayton, Minn.; M. H. Bassett, Secy., Rushmore, Minn.

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Apr. 27—Breeders Sale, Council Bluffs, Iowa; H. C. McKelvie, Mgr.

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Mar. 21—Iowa State Holstein Assn., Waterloo, Iowa; Dallas V. McGinnis, Secy., 912 Waterloo Bldg.
Mar. 24—Dr. Irish and K. Hanna (Holstein Dispersal), Forest City, Iowa; Claude E. Wylam, Sale Mgr., Waverly, Iowa.
Mar. 26—Mower County Guernsey Breeders, Austin, Minn.; Carl E. Kehret, Mgr.
Mar. 31—LaCrosse County Guernsey Breeders, West Salem, Wis.; Vilas E. Young, Secy., West Salem, Wis.
Apr. 14—Eastern Iowa Holstein Sale, Wellman, Iowa; P. M. Swartzendruber, Mgr.
Apr. 20—Eastern Iowa Guernsey Sale, Wellman, Iowa; P. M. Swartzendruber, Mgr.
Apr. 28—Iowa State Guernsey Breeders, Des Moines, Iowa; C. H. Jennings, Mgr., R. 6, Iowa City, Iowa.
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Livestock News

Thru an error in the report of the Polled Shorthorn sale at Omaha, Neb., February 17, in the report in our issue of March 5, we erroneously reported the bull Valley View Jupiter, at $1,000, consigned by Fred Blomstrom, as going to Howard Brunkow, Manly, Iowa, and Paul Mann, Wabash, Iowa. It should have read Howard Brunklow, Wabash, Neb., and Paul Mann, Manley, Neb. We regret this error.

Bert Brook & Sons, Sioux Center, Iowa, held two successful Duroc sales, January 26 and February 22. In the first offering, a top of $610 was reached. A fall boar sired by the herd sire, Mr. Blue Print, sold for $400, and another for $200. In the first sale, 48 bred gilts averaged $198, and in the second sale 66 head averaged $181. The 114 gilts made a general average of $183.

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PRICE DECLINES have already been quite evident in some farm lines. The new year started out bad when record shipments of hogs to market sent quotations tumbling a dollar or more per cwt. The extent of the decline in meats is also seen in a consumer survey which shows that in a period of six months T-bone steaks dropped 24 cents a pound, lamb 10 cents and bacon and hamburger 8 cents a pound. Milk was the only animal product showing an increase, and it was minor.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST to hog producers is the recent government announcement that hog prices will be supported at 90 per cent of parity through March 31, 1950. Originally the 90 per cent floor was to expire December 31, 1949, but to assure reasonable returns for this year's spring crop the extension has been arranged. The plan will also help distribute marketings over a longer period, thus helping to avert gluts. Providing those spring pigs with Walnut Grove minerals will also help assure more efficient production and more profitable returns.

HEAVY LAYERS of ice this winter are believed to have killed many acres of new seedings. If this proves to be true, it will further aggravate an already serious situation in regard to grass and legume seeds. Heaviest losses are expected in northeastern Iowa, northwestern Illinois, and parts of Wisconsin and Minnesota. State farm experts urge securing any additional seed needed as early as possible and making sure it is weed-free and adapted to the area in question.

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SHEEP DOGS are common, but now comes the amusing report about a "sheep goose." Back east, in New Jersey, there's a goose, or rather a gander, on the Bob Baer farm, that is showing the sheep who is boss. "Flat Foot," as the gander is called, started out by jumping on a ram's back and guiding the animal with a furious flapping of wings. Now old "Flat Foot" has the flock so well trained that he can proudly lead the sheep wherever and whenever he pleases.

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The Roy V. Copp Chester White sale, at Glidden, Iowa, on February 28, proved to be one of the very best sales of the season, and he sold 40 head of bred sows at an average of $163 per head. Altogether, he sold 59 head at an average of $149. Breeders were there from nine different states. We are listing those selling for $150 and above: No. 28, Gifford Anderson, Colon, Neb., $235; 1, A. Bidne & Son, Lake Mills, Iowa, $225; 13, B. F. Held & Son, Hinton, Iowa, $235; 14, Chester Gulliksson, Bath, S. D., $305; 5, Ted Trowbridge, Marshalltown, Iowa, $225; 4, Alfred Sexton & Sons, Rockwell City, Iowa, $200; 2, Bob Meyerhoff, Dunkerton, Iowa, $220; 8, Joe Madden, Maryville, Mo., $175; 41, Chas. E. Wintermute, Blockton, Iowa, $255; 43, Kenneth Wendt, Buckingham, Iowa, $180; 35, Chas. Mayne, Harlan, Iowa, $150; 31, Vernor Plant, Gowrie, Iowa, $165; 29, Lloyd Black & Son, Farnhamville, Iowa, $150; 53, Emil Meher, $160; 7, Gifford Anderson, $155; 56, Henry Loots, Palmer, Iowa, $155. The remainder sold for from $115 to $150. Col. J. E. Halsey did the selling.

Robert Jacobson, Hancock, Iowa, held his first Berkshire sale at his farm home, five miles east of Hancock, Iowa, on February 18, and he made an average of $140 on 38 head of bred sows. He did not have the best of a day to sell, and the roads were quite hilly and very muddy; but, in spite of that, he had one of the best sales of the winter season. He certainly had a nice offering, and they were in good condition. His top sow was No. 8, and she went to Ralph Morgan, Fairfield, Ill., at $320. No. 5 brought $200, and she went to Dug Busse, Elk Point, S. D. No. 1 brought $255, going to Gene Ashleman, Bridgewater, Iowa. No. 36 sold for $200 to J. W. Stroeber, Adair, Iowa. Besides these, Mr. Jacobson also sold 10 or 12 fall gilts and fall boars, and they sold well. Col. C. W. Schladweiler was the auctioneer.

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